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This floating concrete plant is in position to pour another pier for Florida's Tampa Bay Bridge. The cement barge tied to the plant has eight specially built Heltzel hopper bins that unload bulk cement through enclosed worm-gear conveyors. See Story on page 26.



Constructing a plant-mixed Texaco Asphalt pavement of the cold-laid type on Indiana State Highway 28 near Alexandria. Old pavement was widened and undersealed with asphalt. Contractor — Brooks Construction Co., Fort Wayne, Ind.

Indiana gives old highway a new intermediate-type Asphalt surface

Indiana chose one of the intermediate types of asphalt construction when it modernized this section of State Route 28 last year. The new surface is of the plant-mixed, cold-laid type, in which a Texaco Rapid-curing Cutback Asphalt serves as binder for the broken stone aggregate. This surface was put down in two courses, with an interval of five days between courses for curing and setting up. A seal coat of RC Cutback, covered with chips, completed the new pavement.

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(above) Completed section of this intermediate type of Texaco Asphalt paving on Route 28.

(right) Close-up of the new pavement prior to application of the seal coat of Texaco RC Cutback Asphalt,



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EDITORIAL

Someone Must Pay for Good Roads

"It costs less to have good roads than it does to put up with poor ones". These are the words of L. Judson Morhouse, Executive Director of the New York Good Roads Association.

The "something for nothing" school of thought, as Mr. Morhouse pointed out, not unreasonably, in a recent letter to the New York State Legislature, will not produce a modern highway system. Money is the unavoidable necessity, and more of it must be added to the state budget. How? By increased taxes, Mr. Morhouse believes.

It is both unfair and misleading to imply that the State is diverting highway-user tax revenues to nonhighway purposes, says Morhouse. This conflicts with the opinion of organized highway-user groups such as petroleum companies, automobile clubs, etc. Mr. Morhouse, however, declares that the State is actually making more money available for highways than it receives from such taxes. The history of highway promotion in New York State, he observes, has been a history of special-interest groups striving to eat the highway pie and have it too. While constantly demanding better roads, they have always shifted the responsibility of paying for them onto the shoulders of the next group.

Conflicting self interests will not yield to anything except an independent impartial tribunal. Such a tribunal is the Temporary Highway

Finance Planning Commission, created in 1952 and supported by the New York Good Roads Association. The recommendations of the Commission are not yet known, but the Superintendent of Public Works has estimated that the highway needs of the State are around \$288,000,000 a year—well over \$100,000,000 more than is being appropriated from current taxes.

The occasion for Mr. Morhouse's letter was the proposed increase of 2 cents on New York State's gasoline tax. New York's present 4-cent tax, he points out, is one of the lowest in the nation. The proposed additional 2 cents would bring it on a par with nine other states whose 6-cent tax puts them in the fourth highest group (leaving four groups with a lower gasoline-tax rate). Florida, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, the Carolinas, and Tennessee all pay a gasoline tax of 7 cents per gallon; Oklahoma pays 6.58 cents: and Arkansas and Washington, 6.5 cents. Then come the nine states paying 6 cents; 17 paying 5 cents; three paying 4.5 cents; eight (including New York at the present time) paying 4 cents; and two (Missouri and New Jersey) which only pay 3 cents.

Taxation is never popular, but it is hard to think of another answer. If the proposal goes through, it might be a good move to put in an anti-diversion constitutional amendment affecting at least the additional 2 cents.

Nobody Benefits

Out in Arizona, a paving contractor who has purposely stayed small in order to stay close to his men and jobs recently had a typical experience which illustrates how nobody benefits when union regulations prevent the use of common sense.

This contractor had a small job, as Arizona projects go: 3.3 miles of hot-mix for slightly over \$200,000. He used union help from the halls. The proper unions were represented, and things were going along fine.

Suddenly one morning a waterpump operator sprained his wrist when a gasoline engine kicked. His injury wasn't serious enough to keep him out a week, as Arizona laws require to get compensation. The man had a wife and kids depending on him. These things the contractor knew, and because the operator was a good man with a long and loyal record, he thought up something to help. He'd give the man a job flagging traffic for a few days until his wrist got well.

But the laborer's union steward wouldn't permit it.

About the same time this contractor's one water truck wasn't quite enough to keep the subbase wet and supply boiler water to the asphalt plant. It was the kind of situation most superintendents face a dozen times a week. The contractor knew of an excellent County Road Department water truck not

in use. He used his common sense, and rented the unit by the day. He had to take the county driver, because that was the only way the county would let it go.

The water truck hadn't been on the job an hour before the contractor faced a full-scale walkout. He continued with the county water truck only by hiring a union-hall truck driver who rode along as excess baggage.

It does nobody good when these things happen. It prevents a contractor from running his job efficiently by denying him the latitude he needs to exercise. It wastes labor, and Arizona's and the nation's roads are not in such shape that labor can be wasted. It delays the completion of our badly needed highway system. Worse yet, it weakens the moral fiber of America's labor by training men to take pay for doing nothing.

Jobs on contract work will continue only so long as contractors have latitude to manage their projects profitably. Maybe the union stewards were right and the contractor was wrong in the example cited—we won't argue the point. But if construction is to continue on a profitable basis for contractors and labor alike, it is high time that labor got together with management and worked out a program where things that benefit nobody are outlawed.

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Here's a new use for a Lorain Moto-Crane—setting a totem pole for a new Seattle shopping center.





C. P. Street, (left), was elected President, and John MacLend, Vice President of the AGC for 1953.

The **record-breaking boom** in the number of contract awards during the last few months, plus the swift decontrol of civilian projects, gives every hint that construction activity in 1953 will surpass even the most liberal estimates.

The first two months of the year set a record with \$2.91 billion of new awards, 47 per cent ahead of 1952. The biggest forces behind the boom were commercial building—up 131 per cent; and private mass housing—up 75 per cent. One of the biggest surprises was the 53 per cent gain in industrial building; early estimates had predicted a sharp decline this year.

Highway awards were 14 per cent higher than in the comparable period last year. Sewerage work topped all other public construction with a gain of 113 per cent.

The boom, however, has not been felt equally throughout the country. Both the middle west and New England reported activity well over 100 per cent of last year, while the south actually showed a decline. This difference will probably be reduced as the year moves on.

Record-breaking activity is certain to continue, especially now that the National Production Authority has virtually freed civilian construction projects from Government regulation. The industry is no longer required to apply to NPA for authority to commence or continue civilian projects. In addition, owners can now determine whether or not they can secure the materials for their projects and can proceed without the Government. The Associated General Contractors welcomes the NPA action because it feels that decontrol will "stimulate the advance planning of both public and private projects to be undertaken at times the governmental bodies or owners consider most appropriate, without recourse to the Federal Government."

But as far as highways are concerned, it is going to take more than decontrol to salvage

our overburdened system—it is going to take money, and lots of it.

Here are some of the highway fund-raising proposals brought up this year in a number of state legislatures. Gasoline-tax-rate boosts have been proposed in at least 17 states. Legislation to curb abuses of gasoline-tax refunds or exemptions have been brought up in 5 states. Revenue bonds or borrowing to raise money are under discussion in 9 states. Thirteen states are considering increasing or broadening truck taxes. Other methods proposed include higher registration fees for passenger cars, and non-highway taxes.

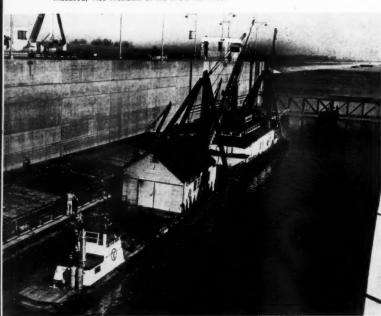
Federal sources of highway revenue under close scrutiny these days are the automotive excise taxes. Resolutions to Congress concerning these taxes have been introduced in the legislatures of 25 states. Some urge repeal of all such taxes, others call for elimination of motor-fuel tax, while still others ask return of revenues from Federal automotive excise taxes to the states for highway purposes. The Federal Government now returns to the state highway departments about 25 per cent of the \$2 billion that it collects annually from highway users.

In the meantime, however, road-building agencies are still confronted with the problem of doing the most with what they have. Some highway departments are trying to solve their 'first-things-first" policy through the use of sufficiency ratings. Supported by a number of highway promotional organizations, the system is a way of evaluating a section of street or road based on its safety, service, and condition. The SR gives an accurate inventory of a highway network, and, if kept up-to-date, shows whether progress is being made and where. To urge further use of this businesslike approach, the National Highway Users Conference has announced that it will make annual awards to the highway departments preparing the best yearly reports to the public on the status of their road systems.

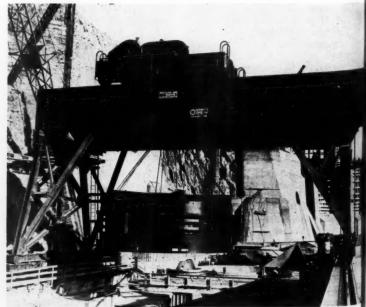
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Vollmar Bros. Construction Co.'s derrick barge, Joseph Lewis, makes the first passage through the \$40,000,000 Chain of Rocks canal, near St. Louis, Mo.



This 275-ton Bedford gantry crane sets the third of 4 big generators for the new Cabinet Gorge hydroelectric station near Clark Fork, Idaho.

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Charles A. Richardson, a new Vice President of Merritt-Chapman & Scott Corp., New York, N. Y.

M-C&S Vice President

Charles A. Richardson is a new Vice President of Merritt-Chapman & Scott Corp., New York, N. Y., in charge of the company's New York Marine & Heavy Construction Division. Mr. Richardson has been with the organization since 1935 and has served on many construction jobs as project manager in the field. While in charge of M-C&S operations in the Boston area his projects included Boston's 3-berth Mystic Pier No. 1, river piers for the Mystic River Bridge, and the Long Island Viaduct in lower Boston harbor. Previously he had worked on the Washburn Tunnel beneath the Houston Ship Channel at Pasadena, Texas, an ore dock at Escanaba, Mich., a section of New York City's East River Drive, and other M-C&S projects throughout the United

Mr. Richardson succeeds William Denny, now Executive Vice President and General Manager.

O'Donnell for Industry On Advisory Committee

John J. O'Donnell, President of the National Constructors Association, has been named one of the industry representatives on a 15member committee of leading labor, industry, and public officials appointed by Secretary of Labor Martin P. Durkin to advise the Administration on labor policies.

Mr. O'Donnell is Personnel and Relations Manager of the Lummus Co., designer and builder of petroleum refineries and chemical plants. Prior to joining that company, he was Personnel Director for the Eclipse-Pioneer Division of Bendix Aviation Corp., Teterboro, N. J.

Gen. Robinson Chairman of Rivers and Harbors Board

Brig. Gen. Bernard L. Robinson, recently appointed Army Assistant of Engineers, has been named Chairman of the Board of Engineers for Rivers and Harbors in addition to his other duties.

The Board, composed of seven senior Corps of Engineers officers, was established by Act of Congress in 1902. It reviews proposed river and harbor and flood-control projects investigated by the Corps of Engineers in accordance with Congressional directives.

ASCE Appoints Larsen

Harold T. Larsen has become Manager of Technical Publications for the American Society of Civil Engineers, New York, N. Y.

Mr. Larsen has been Editor of Technical Publications for the Association since 1930 and is a former member of the civil-engineering faculty of the University of Illinois. He succeeds Sydney Wilmot, who has retired.

Mobley for Slag Association

Arthur B. Mobley recently joined the staff of the National Slag Association in the capacity of Engineer and Administrative Assistant. He will work in the field on engineering problems and assist the Managing Director, E. W. Bauman, in the Washington, D. C., headquarters office. Mr. Mobley comes to the Association from the Baltimore County Highway Department, where he served as Materials Engineer.

Constructors Elect Sturdy

Howard H. Sturdy was elected President of the Constructors Association of Western Pennsylvania at its 19th Annual Meeting held in the Hotel William Penn on February 12, Pittsburgh, Pa. Mr. Sturdy is Vice President of Dravo Corp., Pittsburgh.

Kuljian Liaison Engineer

The Kuljian Corp., engineer-contractor firm of Philadelphia, Pa., with branches abroad, has appointed Louis Jay Patrick as Government Liaison Engineer. In World War II Mr. Patrick was a Major in the Corps of Engineers, U. S. Army.



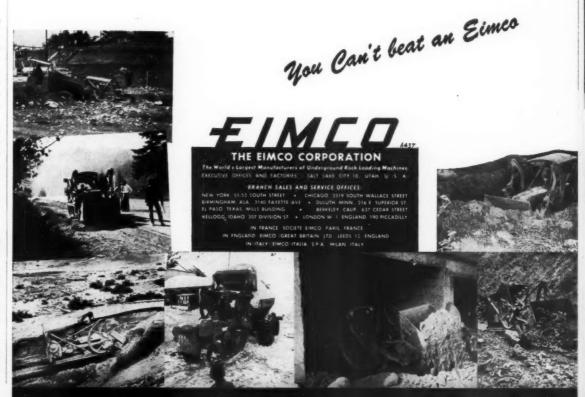
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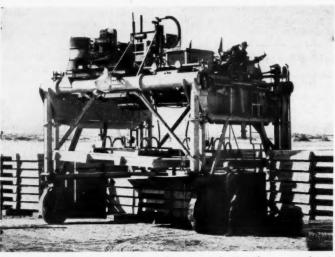
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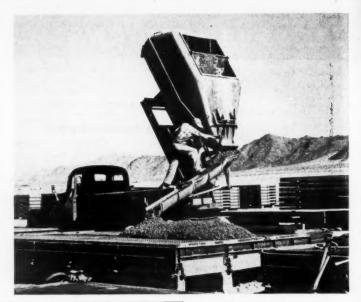




of loading problem.



The Monster places concrete roof slabs on the curing stacks. Note the vacuum grips at both ends and the electric hoists that lift the slabs into carrying position. At right, the mixed concrete being delivered to the steel forms.



FLECO Rock Rake

Relocating



Caterpillar D8 Tractor equipped with Fleco Rock Rake clears and for relocation of Wisconsin State Highway No. 54 near Black River Falls, Wisconsin. Owner is Hoffman Construction Company of Black River Falls.

A Fleco Rock Rake mounted on a Caterpillar D8 Tractor was used for clearing and piling brush on a State Highway relocating job in the State of Wisconsin.

The contract for this operation consists of fifteen miles of widening out of roadway, grading and relocation, 225 ft. right-of-way.

The Fleco Rock Rake found many other uses on this project, including removing stumps and rock. This equipment is excellent on land clearing since it does not take the soil when dozing.

An additional advantage of the Fleco Rock Rake is in the special curve of the teeth which gives it suction and makes it possible to lift the heavy rocks and boulders without the necessity of a deep dirt moving penetration to get started.

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Novel Rig for Roof Slabs

A novel rig, aptly nicknamed the Monster, was recently used at San Bernardino, Calif., to handle precast reinforced-concrete slabs for the tilt-up roofs of the 110 barracks and other buildings of the Marine Corps Artillery Training Facilities.

The Monster is the product of many hours of engineering at The Conveyor Co., Los Angeles, Calif., and it was constructed for the jointventure contracting firm of Twaits-Morrison-Knudsen-Macco.

Construction at the 550-acre Marine camp site involved stripping the forms, and transporting the 11/2 to 4-ton roof slabs to the curing area where they were to remain to dry out for 14 days in stacks with 2 x 4's between each. Transporting such cumbersome heavy slabs presented the problem which Conveyor engineers solved.

The engineers started with a Hyster CP-116 straddle truck and widened the vehicle an additional 51/2 feet to give a 15-foot inside width. Road clearance was increased from 61/2 feet to 12 feet to enable the Monster to stack the roof slabs seven high for the curing process. A 10-kva power generator was added to operate the two 3-ton electric hoists, and hydraulic power steering was needed for easier handling under heavy loads. In spite of all these changes, however, the straddle truck can be reduced to its original size and form by removing the extras added for this particular job.

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Stripping the forms and stockpiling has been reduced to an efficient 8 to 10-minute cycle. The Monster is equipped with two patented vacuum-gripping units with 1-inch strips of rubber attached around the bottom edge. strips permit a suction grip to the slab of approximately 10 psi when under vacuum. The two pad units have a combined gripping power of about 10,000 pounds. A 3-ton electric hoist suspended by trolleys from a beam above is fastened to each pad, and, due to hydraulic cylinders connected directly to each hoist, the hoists can move laterally as required to position centrally on the slab. Positions longitudinally are fixed, however, each gripping the slab about the center of the forward and rear half.

Special treatment of the forms is

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necessary to facilitate stripping them from the concrete. Before pouring the slabs, the forms are sprayed with antibond compound to reduce cohesion of concrete to steel form. An air-vibrating screed is used to assure uniform compac-The slabs are subjected to tion. live-steam curing for approximately 13 hours, and then stripped on an 18 to 20-hour schedule. The Monster has become an essential part of the low-cost construction being used on this project. Its speed has reduced handling costs by a large percentage, and its versatility in slab-handling jobs is assured.

Approximately 5,000 roof slabs will be made and handled by the Monster on the Marine camp site project.

Mix-in-Place Mix-Up

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With reference to the article on page 79 of your March issue titled 'Mix-in-Place Machine Speeds Surfacing Job", we would like to bring to your attention a confusion of terms which is very prevalent even among highway engineers who should certainly know better. We note that the article speaks of 'mixed-in-place construction". The contract was originally set up for mix-in-place construction. ever, the contractor received the State's approval to use a travel-plant-mix method. There is an im-portant difference. Mixed-in-place actually means that the aggregates are deposited on the base or roadbed and mixed at that point, either by manipulation of motor graders or by running some sort of mixedin-place machine over the windrow. Consequently, the percentage of asphalt that is put into the mix is entirely dependent upon the uniformity with which the aggregate was laid down and the speed of the mixer or vehicle by which the asphalt was put into the windrow.

By contrast a travel-mix plant of the type of the Moto-Paver receives the material in the machine before it goes onto the roadbed and the proper proportions of the aggregate and asphalt are established in the machine prior to mixing so that much more uniform results are attained.

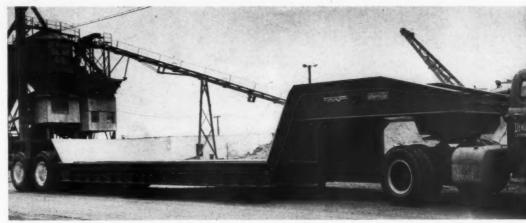
Please do not construe this as criticism of your article, which was extremely well written, but we wanted to take this occasion to point out a misuse of terms which is very

very truly yours,
Robert B. Berner
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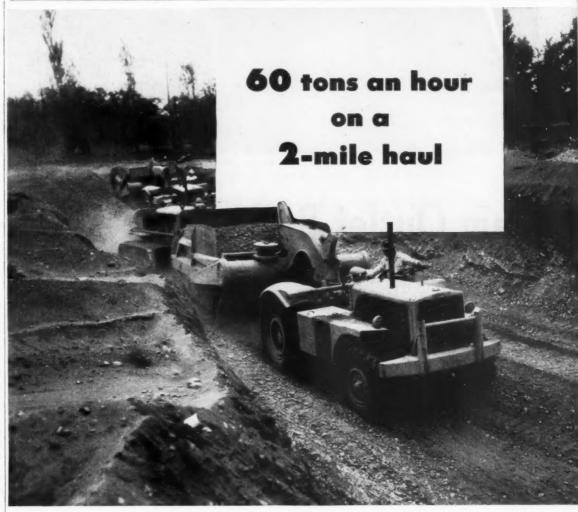
Concrete Additive

An additive said to increase concrete uniformity and strength and reduce drying shrinkage is described in a bulletin from The Sika Chemical Corp., 35 Gregory Ave., Passaic, N. J. The manufacturer states that use of Plastiment in concrete will reduce cracking and minimize flotation and segregation to give a harder surface. The booklet uses drawings of magnified concrete to show how the product works.

To obtain this literature write to the company, or use the Request Card at page 18. Circle No. 783.



Deck size between drops on this low-bed trailer is 11 feet 7 inches x 24 feet 1 inch. The unit weighs 44,000 pounds and has 100-ton rating. For further information write to Birmingham Mfg. Co., Inc., Box 1351, Birmingham, Ala., or use the Request Card at page 18. Circle No. 748.



 $T_{\rm his}$ Caterpillar DW10 Tractor and No. 15 Scraper are loading river gravel mixed with sand -a "dead" material, difficult to handle. Although haul distance is two miles, this husky yellow team moves 60 tons of gravel in 60 minutes. Owned by K. C. Dack of Milton, Ore., they are under hourly contract to repair a secondary road in Morrow County.

Mr. Dack has two DW10s with No. 15s hauling gravel on this job, push-loaded by a Cat* D8 Tractor. "They load faster, with bigger and better loads than any other scraper," he reports. The No. 15 Scraper is designed to be a real producer on long hauls. With its pumping action, it can get heaped loads of even "dead" material quickly and smoothly. And, with its low center of gravity, the No. 15 remains stable where the going is rough.

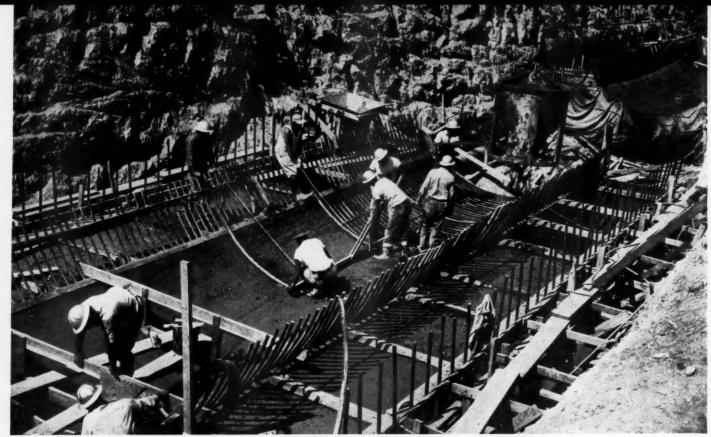
Its teammate, the Cat DW10 Tractor, can highball at speeds up to 24.5 m.p.h. Its long-lived Caterpillar

Diesel Engine delivers an honest 115 HP, on inexpensive No. 2 furnace oil. This rugged team is built to stay on the job without tinkering. Beefed-up construction and high-quality Caterpillar manufacture mean that it can earn you profits for years to come.

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Workmen empty a Gar-Bro concrete bucket as an invert pour progresses on the outlet works conduit

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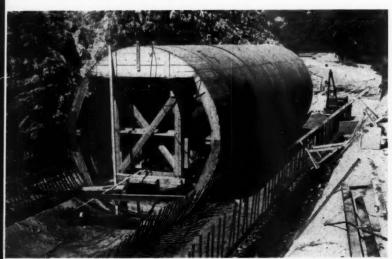
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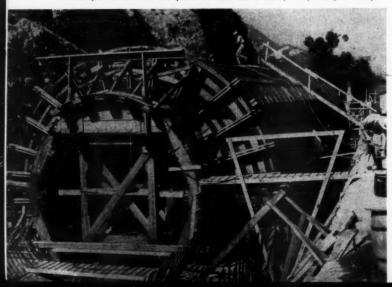
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Dam Outlet Built Along Sliding Hillside



This collapsible 40-foot-long timber form (above) molded the round wall of the conduit. Its sturdy frame and steel skin permitted numerous re-uses. (below) Ready for the pour.



Close Quarters Complicate San Antonio Dam Work

By RAY DAY

• CONSTRUCTION men have an old adage about the trickiness of the little jobs. Near Claremont, Calif., where the Corps of Engineers has the \$500,000 first-stage contract of San Antonio Dam under way, the adage has again been proved. For close quarters between a sliding hillside and an active wash has made the construction of San Antonio's concrete outlet conduit and gate structure more than usually difficult. And there is a note of tragedy, too: Contractor K. B. Nicholas of Ontario, Calif., has been killed on the job, and Resident Engineer J. H. Heinmiller of the Corps of Engineers badly injured.

While the tragedy to Contractor Nicholas probably had little to do with the close working quarters, it is a fact that the organization and methods setup for making the excavation and placing the concrete had to take into account this unusual natural condition. And Mr. Nicholas personally planned the operations. No excess dirt or rock could be dumped into San Antonio Wash because of the flood potential during the winter rainy season, and sizable quantities of excavation and concrete had to be handled close up against a decomposed-granite mountain side which had a bad tendency to slide.

The Nicholas contract, which is being completed under the administration of his estate, is the first step in what will eventually be added flood protection for southern California. Much of the vast watershed below Mount San Antonio (Mount Baldy) drains down San Antonio and eventually through the Santa Anna River into the Pacific Ocean. Winter rains have turned San Antonio Wash into a raging flood torrent many times in the past, washing out transcontinental highways and railroad lines. Prevention of such disasters on the main tributary streams in southern California has long been a Corps of Engineers function, and the San Antonio project will be a continuation of the work begun when Prado, Hansen, Sepulveda, and other such dams were built.

San Antonio Dam will be an earth-fill structure 150 feet high from stream bed, with a fixed crest spillway. The present first-stage work calls only for the construction of the approach channel, gate structure, and outlet conduit. The channel at the end of the outlet structure extending to Prado Reservoir will

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Workmen compact backfill with Thor pneumatic pamper.



Sprinklers along the top of the barrel supply water for the 14-day cure.

be built as a part of a future contract. The entire 'structure is 705 feet long, and includes 10,000 cubic yards

of concrete and about 51,000 cubic yards of excavation-representing an overrun because of sliding conditions. The rectangular gate chamber and approach channel are designed to operate under water when the reservoir is filled. A short transition section necks down the rectangular intake opening, and with the aid of pencil-slim draining walls, changes the water to a supercritical flow through the single 141/2-foot circular concrete tube. The circular part of the tube consists of eleven 40-foot sections, one 31-foot section, and one 37-foot section. The outlet structure can carry about 11,000 cfs

with a reservoir head of 100 feet. The first 320 feet of the conduit has walls 4 feet thick, heavily reinforced with steel. There is also 80 feet of 3-foot wall, and 120 feet of 2-foot wall. The barrel rests monolithically on a heavy concrete base. and has 2-foot-thick concrete collars to prevent detrimental seepage. When the dam is built sometime in the future, an access gallery will be constructed down into the gate-control chamber, and gate-control piping will also be installed.

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The job was originally set up for about 30,000 cubic yards of excavation, which was necessary to cut the hillside down just north of the old county road to Mount Baldy. Most of the contractors who looked at this item took it for granted that the mountainside might require drilling, shooting, and considerable construction trouble. Pioneering conditions at the top of the cut were so impossible that hand labor also seemed necessary

One contractor, an excavating specialist from Glendale named Robert Watson, had underbid everybody under arrangement with one of the unsuccessful bidders. Nicholas got in touch with Watson, and after satisfying himself that Watson was willing to back up his gamble with a bond, awarded the excavating work to him. It so happened that Watson knew the Los Angeles County road foreman who, 21 years before, had sliced part of that same hill away in making a roadside cut. It had been done without explosives by direct

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digging with an old Bucyrus-Erie GA-2 gas-air shovel, so Watson was reasonably sure at least that modern excavating equipment would have no trouble.

The pioneer work was every bit as difficult as it looked, and Watson had to use a labor crew to gouge the first few feet away with picks and shovels. Then a small Oliver tractor with a front-end scoop was moved in, to open up these hand cuts. Later, a Caterpillar D8 with an angle-blade dozer was able to get in and start to work. Fuel had to be brought down by hand, but the machine gouged and bit its way down through decomposed granite, rock pockets. and other tough formations. The first work had been started April 1, 1952, and in only a few weeks an excellent showing had been made.

Trouble came just as soon as the excavation reached a point near the toe of a natural unsupported slide in the face of the hill. Unsupported, and loosened by expansion and contraction, about 15,000 cubic yards sloughed off one night and slid down to cover the site. There was about 5 minutes' warning as the material cracked and loosened, so none of the equipment was caught.

Corps of Engineers designers inspected the abutment, ordered the slide material cleaned up as an extra item, and directed a new slope flattened to 1 to 1 to protect the hill. This extra material was removed. About the same time, a labor strike by the operating engineers' union forced a 9-week shutdown, and the concrete operations were materially delayed as a result.

For much of the earthwork near the bottom of the cut, two LeTourneau FP Carryalls behind D8 Caterpillar tractors were used. The material was hauled about 600 feet to a stockpile, and wasted. When the dam is built, Army Engineers expect to use this material in the construction of an impervious downstream zone.

At the very bottom of the foundation excavation, a small ditch was dug to carry a permanent 18-inch steel water pipe. A private water company nearby has permanent water rights to this amount of water from the San Antonio watershed, and the Corps of Engineers has traditionally respected water rights in planning its structures throughout the west.

Formwork and Concrete

Formwork and concrete methods also reflected to a considerable degree the lack of working space, because the only access to the site consisted of the abandoned county road passing alongside the structure. Formwork and concrete arrangements were geared to the production of about 35 cubic yards an hour in limited space, for pours as big as 528 cubic yards.

A central carpenter yard was set up downstream from the outlet structure in a work area formed by the disposal of excavated material. A power-band saw, a DeWalt cutoff saw, miscellaneous hand-held power saws, and a shaper were used. Layouts were carefully made by experi-

enced men, working under the direction of J. C. Wilson, the carpenter superintendent who built much of the intricate formwork for the Baytown, Texas, butadiene plant. The square-to-round transition section, where every set of ribs called for a different change of radius, was old stuff to Wilson. He built the transition in two sections, and when he dropped them in place with a crane the ends butted perfectly.

The transition section was formed throughout with flooring lumber, nailed to 2 x 4 studs. The approach channel walls were formed inside with flooring lumber and outside with plywood, and the panels were anchored by steel tie bolts. Formwork for the gate structure consisted of plywood facing inside and out, with the outer form used as a slip-form. These forms were made entirely in the central yard, trucked to the site, and set in place by a



P&H crane sets load of steel reinforcing on top of 40-foot timber form.

P&H 655-B crane, equipped with 90 feet of boom. The crane handled

panels of many sizes, and one lift was made involving a gate chamber side form 40 feet long and 21 feet high.

Possibly the most unusual form on the project was the one which molded the round wall of the outlet conduit above the invert line. Since the form would have to be used 13 times, and since it would have to be round, an interesting line of economics was drawn. The best possible compromise seemed to be a strong timber form with a steel skin, built to collapse and move ahead when each pour had been completed and set up.

This form was built to make 40foot pours. It consisted of a maincarrier framework of twelve 8 x 8 fir uprights capped by 8 x 12 fir timbers, strongly braced. This main framework was designed with twelve sets of double rollers for traveling along 4 x 12 fir skids, during moves. For concrete-placing setups, the

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Hinged wings coming down from the top spring-line point were designed to form the barrel concrete. They were heavily built, and consisted of steel facing against a lumber face, nailed to heavy 3 x 16 curved wales, or studs, set on 16-inch centers. When the form was in place, the wings were held in a stationary position by timber spreaders, and further anchorage was made by timber ties placed between the main strain points of the form. Once it was in and set, it could not move.

The concrete form was also tied at intervals by 18,000-pound Superior coil ties, which passed through the concrete space and prevented the forms from spreading under load.

Above the hinge point, two removable outer-form panels could be inserted and fastened to form the concrete after it reached that point. The uppermost portion of the barrel was simply formed by men in the concrete crew who worked with wood floats and a template to finish the concrete off at that point.

Heavy steel reinforcement was called for throughout the conduit, and this material was furnished by Truscon Steel Co. It was placed under another subcontract with the firm of Rutherford & Skoubye, who used Nicholas' P&H 655-B crane to unload the bundles from transport trucks. As soon as the steel was in, the outer conduit form was hoisted into place, the ties were made, and the barrel portion of the section was ready for concrete.

Concreting followed certain well defined schedules. The invert, or foundation, was placed well ahead of the barrel portion. These pours were made in alternate locations, bringing up the fill-ins later. All but three invert pours had been completed when the first barrel section was placed.

The concrete for inverts and barrel sections alike was batched for Nicholas by Blue Diamond Corp., who set up a small portable Conveyco plant just below the outlet structure near the carpenter yard. Bulk Victor cement from Victorville. Calif., was trucked in, and the sand and aggregates came from Blue Diamond's new commercial plant near El Monte, Calif., a distance of about 30 miles. These materials were trucked to the plant and loaded to the bins by clamshell bucket. Darex air-entraining agent was used to provide about 5 per cent of air entrainment in the mix.

The concrete was batched to give 4,000 pounds of compressive strength at 28 days with a 5.66-sack mix and a placing slump of about 3 inches. Type II cement was used to combat

the alkali-reactive qualities of some of the southern Calfornia aggregates, even though the El Monte aggregate deposit is relatively free from this characteristic.

After the batches were proportioned at the Conveyco plant, they were dropped into a Koehring tilting mixer, which turned out the mixed concrete to waiting dump trucks. They hauled it in Gar-Bro transfer buckets, in 11/2-yard batches that were hoisted or dropped to the pouring point by the P&H crane. Invert and barrel concrete alike was handled by this crane, and the fresh material was consolidated by Maginniss high-frequency vibrators. Even though the conduit forms were narrow, there was room for men to work inside with the vibrators. By starting these pours with the top open between hinge points, the concrete could be placed through elephant trunks with plenty of room to

All concrete was cured by the continuous application of a water spray for 14 days. The conduit pours were so arranged that one of the sections could be finished each week, working a single 8-hour shift with little overtime. The project was scheduled for completion in late January, 1953, and plans were well under way to bring the dam and spillway under construction possibly during the 1953 working season.

Due to the tragic and untimely death of Contractor K. B. Nicholas, the San Antonio job will be the last one for the company. The estate plans to liquidate as soon as the project is finished, and until that day comes, Nicholas' own high standards of construction continue to govern the work. In fact Nicholas Co. just recently received a commendation from the Corps of Engineers for fine work on another contract.

Personnel

Nicholas' operations are under the direction of General Superintendent F. C. Crowley, who is assisted by Project Engineer N. J. Witt and Carpenter Superintendent J. C. Wilson. Corps of Engineers operations at field level are now being directed by Resident Engineer C. S. Maxwell, who reports to Construction Division Chief W. J. Leen. Col. W. R. Shuler is District Engineer for the Corps of Engineers of the Los Angeles office.

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Contraction Joints Sawed At Airfield

Various Factors Influence Time Interval Between Placing Concrete and Cutting Joints in Slabs 6 to 12 Inches Thick

By KARL VOGEL, Project Engineer Corps of Engineers, U. S. Army

 THE sawing of contraction joints in concrete pavements during the recent construction at the Lockbourne Air Force Base, Columbus, Ohio, was one of the first applications of this method on a large scale in airfield pavement construction.
 This construction was carried on during warm and cold weather, and both portland cement and a blend of portland cement and natural cement were used in the concrete mixes. Pavement thicknesses ranged from 6 to 12 inches and all transverse contraction joints were sawed to a depth of one-fourth the thickness of the pavement.

Experience at this project indicates that excellent contraction LOCKBOURNE AIR FORCE BASE TYPICAL PAVEMENT SECTIONS

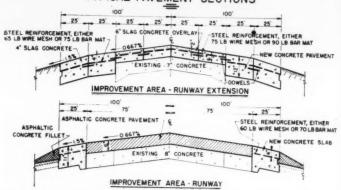


Figure 1. Paving sections through the resurfacing and widening of the existing Northeast-Southwest runway.

joints can be obtained by using properly trained workmen and exercising normal care in choosing the

time for sawing the joints. Weather conditions and the character of the cement used are important factors in influencing the time interval between placing the concrete and cutting the joints. No difficulty is encountered in filling the joints except when jet-fuel-resistant fillers are used. These fillers have a narrow temperature range through which they may be applied, and the joints have to be filled in several stages to compensate for shrinkage of the material as it cools.

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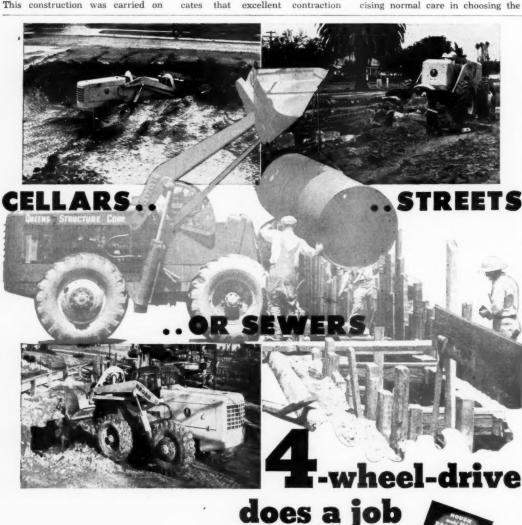
It is too early to evaluate the actual performance of the sawed joints in use, and the following remarks are limited mainly to the experience gained and observations made in sawing and filling sawed joints. From these observations the advantages of the sawed joints are that they provide a better surface for traffic, avoid damage due to manipulation of the concrete at the joint during hardening, permit a better sequence of operation during construction, permit earlier application of curing compounds, reduce the quantity of joint fillers required, and present a better appearance in the finished surface.

New Procedure

The problem of providing satisfactory joints in concrete pavements has been with us since the first use of concrete in pavements. The objectionable features of the hand-formed contraction joints, such as the checking, spalling, and deterioration of the concrete at the joints, and the unevenness of the pavement surface in these areas, are well known. Recently a new procedure has been introduced for the construction of joints in pavements. This is the sawing of contraction joints in the pavements after the concrete has hardened.

During the spring of 1951, the Huntington District of the Corps of Engineers initiated a large pavement-construction program for the improvement and expansion of the facilities at the Lockbourne Air Force Base. Soon after the pavement construction was started it became apparent that the joints formed in the plastic concrete were not entirely satisfactory. As a result it was decided to experiment with the use of a concrete saw for cutting joints in the hardened concrete. This operation proved to be very satisfactory, and was continued for the remainder of the pavement construction.

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730,000 square yards of concrete pavement with thicknesses of 6, 11, and 12 inches. Altogether, about 250,000 linear feet of transverse contraction joints were sawed. In addition, grooves were sawed for about 200,000 linear feet of longitudinal construction joints. This article discusses experiences with the sawing of joints in the concrete pavements at the Lockbourne Air Force Base, which was one of the first uses of this method on a large scale for airfield pavement construction.

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The construction of airfield pavements at Lockbourne included several new concrete aprons and taxiways, and the extension, widening, and resurfacing of the existing northeast-southwest runway. All of the aprons and the taxiways had a concrete thickness of 12 inches, but the northeast-southwest runway had several different pavement sections, as shown in Figures 1 and 2.

Figure 1 shows the pavement sections through the resurfacing and widening of the existing northeastsouthwest runway and the existing taxiway at the end of this runway which was included as part of the new runway. The first 1,000 feet at the southwest end of the existing runway and taxiway was overlaid with a 6-inch slab concrete overlay. The widening lanes were 12 inches thick and consisted of a 4-inch slag concrete surface course placed monolithically over 8 inches of reg-ular concrete. The remainder of the existing runway was overlaid with 6 inches of bituminous concrete and the concrete widening lanes in this area were 11 inches thick.

Figure 2 shows the sections through the extension at the northeast end of the runway. The concrete thickness for 1,000 feet at the northeast end was 12 inches, and consisted of 4 inches of slag concrete placed monolithically over 8 inches of regular concrete. The remainder of the runway extension had a concrete thickness of 11 inches.

Except for the concrete overlay portion of the northeast-southwest runway, all of the concrete pavements were constructed in 25-foot wide lanes with dummy groove contraction joints spaced 25 feet apart. The concrete overlay portion of the runway was constructed in 25-foot lanes but was divided into smaller slab units by constructing dummy groove joints to conform with the joint spacing in the original pavement. No expansion joints were included in the pavement lanes.

Wire mesh, weighing from 60 to 75 pounds per 100 square feet, was placed 4 inches below the surface of the concrete runway. The mesh did not extend through the contraction joints, except that, in the outside lanes, it was laid continuously through the joint. The wire mesh was omitted in certain designated areas of the apron paving.

The concrete for the bulk of the construction was made with natural sand and 3-inch maximum-size crushed gravel. Petrographic examinations indicate that the sand and gravel contained limestone in the amounts of 44 and 85 per cent respectively. However, a 1-inch slag aggregate was used in the slag concrete mix for the 6-inch overlay at the southwest end of the runway, LOCKBOURNE AIR FORCE BASE TYPICAL PAVEMENT SECTIONS

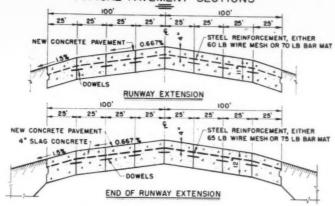
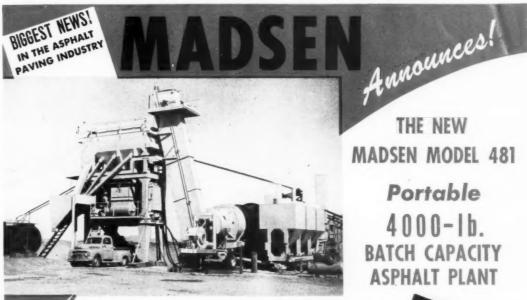


Figure 2. Pavement sections through the extension of the northeast end of the runway.

and for the 4-inch surface course of this concrete, which was placed monolithically with the regular concrete at both ends of this runway. Type 1A portland cement was used in about 60 per cent of the concrete, and the remainder contained a blend of 80 per cent of the type 1A portland cement and 20 per cent natural cement. A cement factor of 6.0 bags per cubic yard of concrete was used throughout most of the construction. All of the mixes were air-entrained with an air content of about 4 per cent in the freshly mixed concrete.

The pavement construction was started in May, 1951, and continued through November, 1951. Additional concrete pavements were constructed during the period from May to October, 1952. Weather conditions varied widely during these construction periods and air temperatures during concrete placement ranged from a maximum of about 95 degrees F during the summer months to a low of about 21 degrees F during November, 1951.

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All of the concrete was cured with membrane-curing compounds, but additional coverings of Sisalkraft paper and straw were used for cold-weather protection. The influence of the different conditions encountered during this construction on the joint-sawing operation will be discussed later.

Joint Construction

When construction of the pave-

ments was started, the construction joints were formed in the plastic concrete, using a joint machine which cut the fresh concrete and then forced a metal strip into it to form the groove. With the 12-inch pavement which required a 3-inch groove, considerable difficulty was encountered in the forming of the joints. If the joint was formed while the concrete was fairly plastic, it had a tendency to flow together after the bar was removed and during the edging operation. Also, the concrete had a tendency to be depressed in the region of the joint, due to movement of the plastic

concrete. If the joint-sawing operation was delayed, there was considerable disturbance of the concrete when the bar was forced into it, and the concrete had a tendency to be humped at the joint. On this job the difficulties in handforming the joints were aggravated by the use of a 3-inch aggregate in the mix.

Because of the difficulties encountered in forming the dummy groove joints in the plastic concrete, it was decided to experiment with sawing of the joints.

Joint Details

Details of the dummy groove con-

traction joints, and the longitudinal and transverse construction joints for the pavements are shown in Figure 3.

All weakened plane contraction joints were constructed to a depth of one-quarter the thickness of the pavements. For the three pavement thicknesses of 6, 11, and 12 inches. depths of the groove were 11/2, 23/4, and 3 inches respectively for both formed and sawed joints. The original plan for the formed contraction joints required a beveled groove 1/4 inch wide at the bottom and 3% inch wide at the top, with the top edge rounded with an edging tool of 1/4inch radius. The sawed joints were carried to the same depth, with a uniform width of cut of about 1/8 inch to 3/16 inch.

The original plan for the longitudinal and transverse construction joints required that a groove ¼ inch wide and 1 inch deep with rounded top edges be constructed at the top of the joint to permit sealing of the joint. When the contractor changed to the sawing operation, he found it more convenient to saw the groove at the top of the construction joint instead of forming it during construction of the lanes.

All joints were sawed to the full required depth in one cut, and the time required for sawing a joint 3 inches deep and 25 feet long was about 6 minutes. It has been the contractor's experience on this project to saw about 4,000 inch-feet per blade.

Sawing Equipment

The concrete saw consists of a compact power unit which drives a spindle upon which is mounted a thin circular segmented diamond abrasive wheel, and the entire assembly is mounted on four rubbertired wheels balanced so that it can be moved from one location to another quite easily. The type of concrete saw used on this project was powered with a 13-hp air-cooled 2cylinder gasoline engine connected to the saw mandrel with a 4-V-belt drive. A floating 3-point suspension automatically protects the blade from binding. Other notable features are positive screw feed for cutting depth control, water-spray system for cooling the blade, front and rear pointers to guide the machine in a straight line, blade guards and solid nonsway wheels. Total weight of the machine is approximately 500 pounds. It is equipped with a water-supply tank, but for a large-scale sawing it is necessary to supply the water from a tank wagon through a flexible hose. Figures 4 and 5 show views of the sawing equipment used on this project.

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The saw blade is a segmented wheel 12 inches in diameter and approximately ½ inch thick. The blade has a specially treated steel center with a bonded rim of sintered metals and diamonds which combine to provide smooth, fast, economical sawing

Sawing Procedures

The sawing of transverse contraction joints at Lockbourne Air Force Base was started as an experiment, and little information was available regarding procedure or proper time and sequence for sawing the joints. It was reasonable to believe that a definite time existed when this saw-



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ing should be done, but just how soon the concrete could be sawed and how much latitude in time could be allowed was not known. The problem was to delay sawing until the concrete was hardened to a stage where no damage would be done to the surface, yet complete the sawing before voluntary cracking of the slag would occur. It was decided to saw at 500-foot intervals as soon as the setting characteristics of the concrete would permit, then to saw at 25-foot centers, all in the order in which the concrete was placed. With this sawing sequence a few voluntary cracks occurred, and it was apparent that it would be necessary to modify the procedure. It was then assumed that setting of the concrete to a stage would permit satisfactory sawing would progress at the same rate as the placing and finishing, and the procedure was changed to re-quire sawing of the contraction joints at the specified 25-foot intervals progressively as the concrete attained the proper hardness. This procedure was followed throughout the remainder of the pavement construction with satisfactory results.

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As soon as the concrete has hardened to the sawing stage a chalk line is struck across the pavement at the desired intervals. The pavement is wetted down with water to protect the curing membrane from abrasion. The sawing machine is set with the pointers on the chalk line at one side of the paved lane. For intermediate lanes between existing concrete, the sawing is completed in a single operation from one side of the lane to the other. However, where the lane is paved between forms, the cut is made to the opposite side, stopping just short of the steel form. The machine is then reversed and the short section that was under the machine in its start-ing position is sawed. The uncut triangular sections adjacent to the forms are cut through when sawing the intermediate lanes. Mechanical guides were given a trial test for straight-line sawing but the idea was discarded as being cumbersome.

With respect to the longitudinal construction joints, the sawing time was not important as the joint already extended completely through the pavement section. The sawing was done only to provide a groove for holding the joint-sealing material. For these joints the top edges of the concrete were rounded as required during the finishing operations, and the sawing of the groove was completed at the convenience of the contraction.

Conditions Affecting Schedule

It has been the experience at this project that no definite time factor can be applied between the placing of concrete and sawing contraction joints but that the time of sawing must be determined experimentally to meet varying conditions. It appears that major factors controlling the time element are: weather and temperature, quantity of cement per cubic yard, and type of concrete.

Insofar as weather is concerned, time of day, season, temperature, temperature change, humidity, wind velocity, sunlight, all have an influence on the time interval between placement of the concrete and sawing of the joints, as well as on the

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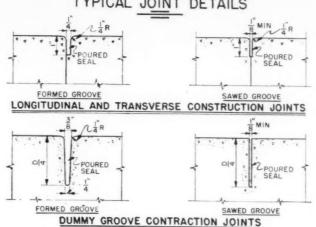


Figure 3. Detail showing dummy groove contraction joints and the longitudinal and transverse construction joints for pavements.

period during which the joint sawing has to be completed. Most of the concrete was placed during the summer months, when the weather was generally hot, dry, and windy. The air temperatures ranged from about 65 to 75 degrees F at night and up to about 95 degrees F during the daytime. Concrete placed in the morning generally could be sawed within 6 to 8 hours on hot windy days. However, concrete placed after sundown on the night shift during the same period could be sawed about 12 hours later on the following day. A small amount of concrete was placed in November with air temperatures varying from 21 to 38 degrees F. It was necessary to cover this concrete immediately after placement, and sawing of the joints was accomplished approximately 3 days later. This concrete has been observed for a period of (Continued on next page)

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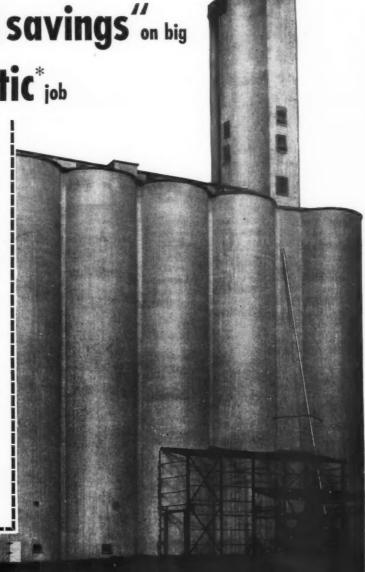
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12 months during which the air temperature has ranged from minus 14 degrees F to 95 degrees F, but no uncontrolled cracking has been found.

During the peak of the 1951 construction season when a cement shortage occurred, the contractor substituted a blend of 20 per cent natural and 80 per cent portland cement for the portland cement used in the concrete. The use of natural cement retarded the setting time somewhat and together with the advance of cooler weather, the period of time between placing concrete and sawing joints greatly increased. As an example, concrete that was placed at 2 p. m. on 28 September, 1951, when the maximum temperature was 58 degrees F could not be sawed until 24 hours later. The temperature during the night dropped to 37 degrees F and rose to 60 degrees F the next day.

Other factors, such as cement content, water content, and consistency, influence the hardening and strength gain of the concrete, which in turn affects the time interval before joints can be sawed. However, these factors generally do not vary appreciably after the conditions are established for the construction, and their effects generally do not have to be considered in the day-to-day sawing operation.

The experience with these conditions indicated that no definite time interval between the placing of the concrete and the sawing of the contraction joints can be set which would be satisfactory for all conditions liable to be encountered on any project. However, it was found that the time for cutting the joints is not critical, and that the proper time can be determined in the field through experience with the sawing operation in much the same manner as a cement finisher is able to determine when concrete is ready to be finished. Sawing too early produces a groove with ragged edges, due to disturbance of the aggregate. The saw blade also tends to accumulate a coating of fine particles which causes binding of the blade, reduces the speed of the saw and slows down the cutting process. On the other hand, there is no harm in delaying the sawing so long as random cracking of the concrete does not occur. One rule that is of prime importance in the successful sawing of joints is to be ready to saw when the concrete is ready, not when it is convenient for the operator. An extra saw should be available as a standby unit for use in case of a breakdown of the sawing equipment.

Joint Filling

The forming of controlled cracks or joints in the pavements necessitates the filling of the groove to prevent the movement of moisture through the joint. It has been shown in Figure 3 that the contraction joint groove which had a top width of % inch and a bottom width of ¼ inch when formed in the plastic concrete, was reduced to approximately ½-inch uniform width when the joints were sawed. Although this was favorable in that it reduced the



Figure 4. Side view of the concrete saw in operation. The hose line is connected to a water wagon.

quantity of filler required, some difficulty was encountered in filling the sawed joints with some of the fillers used.

The sawed joints were thoroughly cleaned prior to pouring the sealing compound to remove loose material which might interfere with its bond to the concrete. A worn saw blade of the type used in making the initial cut was passed through the sawed joint to loosen any foreign material. This was done with the regular sawing equipment, but without the use of water which was required for the original cut. A power-driven wire brush was then used to remove all traces of curing material and accumulated material adjacent to the joint. Finally, a high-pressure air jet was used to remove all loose material in the groove and at the surface near the joint.

Joint-sealing materials conforming with Federal Specification SS-F-336a were required for this project, and furthermore, for certain areas the filler was required to be jetfuel-resistant. No great difficulty



was encountered in filling the sawed contraction joints when the regular hot-poured sealer was used, but considerable difficulty was encountered in filling these joints with hot-poured jet-fuel-resistant materials. The difference is that the JFR materials are poured at a higher temperature and have a more limited temperature range through which they are usable. When filling the sawed joint which in most instances presented a narrow square-edged opening 3 inches deep, the thin stream JFR material cooled so rapidly that difficulty was encountered in completely filling the joints. Also, the JFR materials showed high shrinkage on cooling and it was necessary to make three or four passes with the sealer applicator in order to fill the joint. The handformed joints, which had a wider groove with rounded edges, could be filled more readily.

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Figure 5. Front view of the concrete saw in operation. The chalk line is used as a guide in obtaining a straight cut.

In the sealing operation, the jointsealing materials were first heated in a power-agitated melting kettle and then transferred to an oiljacketed applicator which maintained the material at the proper temperature during filling of the joints. This is a double-boiler push-type unit which maintains the proper temperature of the joint material by means of an oil-heated bath surrounding the 20-gallon inner tank.

Advantage of Sawed Joints

So definite was the improvement in efficiency of sawing joints during the experimental program that this method was continued for the remainder of the 1951 and 1952 paving program, and it is contemplated that it will be used on all future paving work on this project. A few random cracks have been observed, most of which occurred at the start of the sawing operation. Most of the cracks are in the area of the planned joint. In several instances the cracks were observed when the operator prepared to saw the joints, and no sawing was done. It is believed that all cracks in the region of the sawed



Figure 6. An example of a transverse crack which occurred before the joint was sawed.

joints occurred before the joint was sawed but the crack was too small to be observed. Figure 6 shows a typical crack of this type. In most instances the cracking started opposite a joint in the adjacent lane. Omission of wire mesh in certain areas did not affect sawing time and no uncontrolled cracking has been noted in those areas.

The hand-forming of joints tends to damage the concrete in that area, due to over-manipulation and disturbance of the concrete after it is partially set. An example of severe scaling was found in the original concrete pavements at the Lockbourne Air Force Base, which were built about 10 years ago under pressure of wartime construction. While this scaling variously has been attributed to bad aggregate, overfinishing, vibrating screeds, and wet mixes, it generally originated at the hand-formed joints and progressed toward the center of the blocks, with the greatest depth of scaling at the joints. This is a strong indication that concrete deterioration is likely to originate at the joints and be most evere in this area. The sawing of the joints avoids the manipulation and distribution of the concrete during its initial hardening period, which often contributes to the deterioration of the concrete at the joints.

The difficulties in obtaining a smooth surface when the joint is formed in the concrete have been discussed previously. On the other hand, the surface at the sawed joint is as true as the general concrete surface. It is perfectly obvious that the sawed joint will provide a better riding surface. Also, the appearance of the sawed joints which are of uni-

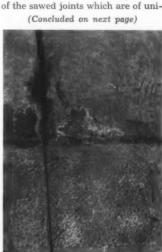


Figure 7. A closeup view of a transverse joint in an area where the change is made from sawed to formed joint.

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form width and depth is greatly improved over that obtained by forming the joint. This comparison is shown in Figure 7. This is a closeup of the two types of joints.

It is still too early to evaluate the actual performance of the sawed joints in use; however, there are some areas where vehicular traffic has been exceedingly heavy. Under this traffic the sawed joints show no clipping or spalling. Very little usage has been made of the pavement in the area of the hand-formed joints. Neither has there been sufficient time for the elements to create noticeable damage. However, close observation of the hand-formed joints in some cases indicates considerable hair cracking at the surface adjacent to these joints. This is generally the first step in any deterioration due to weathering.

Costs

There are no figures available at present which might reflect an accurate cost relationship between sawed and hand-formed joints. The factors affecting cost vary from one project to another, and even on the same project. It is safe to assume that the cost of sawing will be somewhat higher than forming the joint by hand. Preliminary figures compiled

indicate that sawing alone will cost about 7 cents per inch-foot. The savings in the quantity of joint sealer in sawed joints as compared with the amount required for filling of hand-formed joints will reduce the total cost per foot of joint sawed and sealed.

In spite of the apparent adverse cost comparison for the sawed joints, the contractor preferred to continue the sawing of the joints on additional paving work awarded after this construction was in progress.

Summary and Conclusions

The experiences at the Lock-bourne project have demonstrated that excellent sawed joints can be obtained by using properly trained workmen, and exercising normal care in selecting the proper time for sawing the joints. The sawing time is influenced by many factors related to the materials and mix characteristics of the concrete, as well as by external temperature and weather conditions. However, the time limit is not critical and the proper sawing time can be selected without difficulty.

Based on the field observations the sawed joints are considered to have many advantages over the conventional formed joints, some of which are:

- a. They are more uniform and have a better appearance.
- b. They provide a smoother surface for traffic.

- They avoid damage due to manipulation of the concrete during hardening.
- d. They permit a better sequence of operation during construction.
- They permit earlier application of curing compound, and earlier protection of the concrete during cold weather.
- f. They reduce the quantity of joint filler required.

Against these benefits there is an apparent slight increase in cost for the sawed joints. Also, some difficulty was encountered in sealing the sawed joints with hot-poured fillers which are resistant to jet fuel. The normal rubber-asphalt types of joint filler offered no problem in sealing of sawed joints.

Although it is too early to evaluate the performance of the sawed joints in use, their present condition indicates that their performance has been satisfactory.

Personnel

The pavement construction at the Lockbourne Air Force Base was performed under the supervision of the Huntington District Office, Corps of Engineers, U. S. Army. The contractor for this work was the W. L. Johnson Co. of Columbus, Ohio, to whom much credit is due for the success of the joint-sawing work.

The writer wishes to express his appreciation to the personnel of the

Ohio River Division Laboratories, Corps of Engineers, and particularly to Mr. I. Narrow of these Laboratories for his assistance in the preparation of this article.

The foregoing article is from a paper presented by Mr. Vogel at the last meeting of the Highway Research Board in Washington, D. C. (See also Contractors and Engineers, January, 1952, page 54.)

Tractor Grease Seals

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Entrained-Air Meter

A meter for measuring entrained air in samples of concrete is made by the Techkote Co., Inc., 820 W. Manchester Ave., Inglewood 1, Calif. The White air meter consists of a 2-piece clamping device with an inspector's test gage set in a flexible rubber mounting. The device, which has a 0.250-cubic-foot capacity, seals with 4 toggle clamps. The meter weighs 12 pounds alone and 19 pounds including case and accessories.

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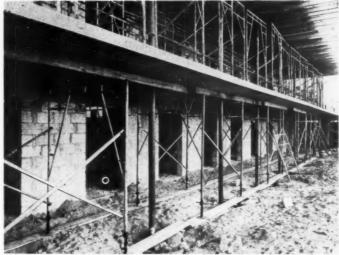
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A bulletin to assist engineers in preparing specifications on plain-end perforated clay pipe for turnpike, highway, and road projects is available from Bowerston Shale Co., Bowerston, Ohio. It contains excerpts from various state specifica-

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Patent scaffolding frames used in a new concrete-shoring technique for the construction of cabanas at the Blue Horizon Hotel, Miami Beach, Fla.

Bulldozer Line Described

A 36-page catalog on its line of bulldozers and their attachments has been published by Caterpillar Tractor Co., Peoria 8, Ill. The catalog contains model views showing every size and style of bulldozer made by the company, and cutaway views illustrate their features. Brief specifications are printed with each model, and two pages in the back of the book are devoted to detailed specifications of all bulldozers made for both track-type and wheel-type

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HRB Bulletin on Compaction

A new bulletin on compaction has been published by the Highway Research Board. Bulletin 58 is the result of efforts by the Committee on Compaction of Subgrades and Embankments to list practices pertaining to compaction equipment, its selection and uses, and specifications which govern compaction of embankments, subgrade soils, and

The book contains illustrations and charts, together with comprehensive tables. It is available from the Highway Research Board, 2101 Constitution Avenue, Washington 25, D. C., at a charge of \$1.50.

Steel-Roller Drive Chains

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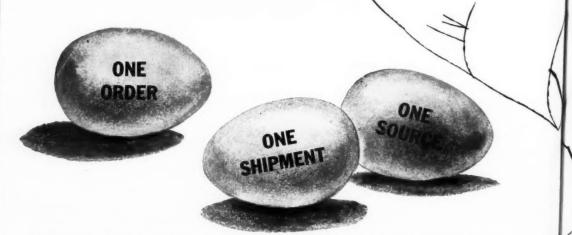


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Prestressing Textbooks Given to Public Libraries

Martin Mahler, Consulting Engineer of Union, N. J., who specializes in prestressed concrete, recently presented the New York City Public Library and the Buffalo, N. Y., Public Library with a collection of textbooks and literature on the subject of prestressed concrete. It is Mr. Mahler's intention to establish similar technical library collections in all cities with a population of 100,000 or over in the United States, its possessions, and Canada.

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ance Building in Dallas, Texas, a long-drawn-out piece of construction. Scheduled originally for occupancy in October, 1952, delays in steel deliveries set back the completion date by a few months. The building was, however, finished in the early part of this year.

Under ordinary conditions, the builder of the 11-story \$2,500,000 structure—J. W. Bateson Co. of Dallas—is one of the best-organized building construction firms in the southwest, and jobs done by this firm have a way of growing rapidly toward the sky. But the presence of quicksand in the Gibraltar Building foundation slowed the job during its initial construction phase, and this was followed by the steel strike, which put off delivery of the structural members which form the skeleton of the structure.

It is not very soul-satisfying to

a superintendent on a \$2,500,000 building to have, as his working force, one carpenter and three laborers. General Superintendent R. C. Sontag of the Bateson Co. reached that low point at least once when the building was half finished.

Beautiful Building, However

In spite of these problems, however, the building is a beauty. In fact, the design calls for future work above the 11-story level to raise the structure 11 more stories, and the heavy steel members in the lower section, which were necessary to hold the future weight, actually helped to create excess steel tonnage over what might normally be expected in an 11-story building. The 30 heavy structural H-beams. reaching toward the sky to form the main skeleton, start off with 16-inch H-beams, with 11/2-inch webs and flanges.

From the exterior, the building presents a distinctive shiny appearance, due to aluminum exterior panels and aluminum window sash. Bateson's contract called generally for a building shell only, and as office tenants apply for leases, their space is finished according to their needs. Only a part of the building is occupied by the home offices of Gibraltar Life Insurance Co.

Modern materials were used wherever possible to make the building light, strong, and easy to maintain. The first floor above street level is finished from the top of a concrete slab, but the remaining floors are asphalt or concrete tile set on Robertson Q-type steel decking. Ceilings are of a new metal acoustic snap-in type. Plenty of window space gives the building light, and a well arranged system of fluorescent lights and complete air conditioning should make it a comfortable place to work.

The structural design is conventional, and the steel uprights are designed for riveted connections every 22 feet, or two stories. Cross members reach across from the uprights to form the floor-level outline, and the Robertson decking lies across these members. Even the stairways are steel. The steps and intermediate landings are thin concrete, poured into the steel stairway shell.

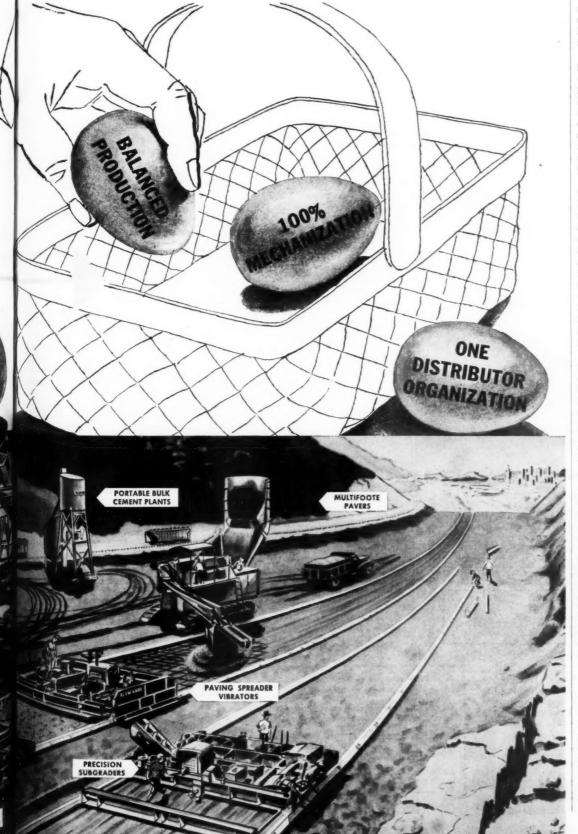
Thomas, Jameson & Merrill, Dallas architectural - engineering firm, made the structural design. Their work was combined with a mechanical design by Landauer & Guerrero.

Principal subcontractors included Vilbig Bros. on excavation; Farwell Plumbing Co. on plumbing, heating, and air conditioning; Storbach & Gregory, on plastering and guniting; Beasley Construction Co. on structural-steel erection; Mosher Steel Co. on steel supply; and Way-Mix Concrete Co. on truck-mixed concrete.

Excavation in Quicksand

The layer of quicksand which Vilbig Bros. hit is a well known Dallas formation, and was figured in the design. To get down to proper grade for the main footings and to make room for the boiler room, it was necessary to dig a hole for the 102-foot 3-inch building (none of the sides are exactly the same) 18 feet below street level.

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Building Problems: Dirt Work and Steel

(Continued from preceding page) The excavation level outside the boiler room was generally 14 feet

below street level.

Excavation started with a gentle ramp leading from the northeast corner of the building down into the hole. A Northwest 25 dragline gradually worked the material out, loading it to a fleet of dump trucks of various makes, but all of about 7-cubic-yard capacity. The material was hauled out to west Dallas and enough was stockpiled to haul back in later for backfill. The remainder was wasted.

The heavy ledge of quicksand soon showed up, however, and not only were the excavation operations slowed, but adjacent buildings were put in positions of danger.



Hoisting Engineer J. L. Cartwright, from his control position on the Clyde hoist, raises a load of concrete to the third story level.

sides of the excavation were protected by driven sheet piles. A Caterpillar D7 with a dozer worked up close to the sheet piles and the other sides of the hole to bring material up to the Northwest. It was a tough laborious job, but it was finally finished so the footings could

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The designers had specified castin-place concrete piles to reach from the floor grade down to rock, some 40 feet below, so Raymond Concrete Pile Co. was engaged to drive its step-taper piles in these locations. These pile clusters support the load under all the upright structural members

Structural-Steel Erection

If the steel strike had not so seriously crippled the project, and the nation along with it, the erection of structural steel would have been a rapid interesting example of modern structural erection. The heavy upright members were just long enough to reach two stories, and the

cross members were easy to handle.

The Beasley firm moved in a powerful Cummins-driven 3-drum American hoist and a heavy stationary stiffleg derrick to handle the members, and set up a scheme of setting two floors at a time, and jumping the derrick to the new level. The derrick mast was 100 feet long, and the rig had a 112-foot boom. The 3-drum hoist was mounted on the ground floor in the northwest corner of the building, and control cables were rigged through a heavy sheave at that level, so they passed up through the center of the derrick platform.

The derrick base rested on a temporary platform consisting of four 16 x 16-inch fir timbers. The platform was securely anchored at the base by four cable and turnbuckle connections, which reached out to the nearest four upright pieces of structural steel. In addition, five main cable-turnbuckle guy lines reach from the top of the mast to various structural members along the outside lines of the building.

The structural members were trucked in, unloaded, and were then raised as needed. When the steel strike caught the project, only five stories above street level had been raised. There was nothing else to do but move the crew off, leave the equipment where it was, and wait. The wait had lasted over 6 weeks when Contractors and Engineers visited the project. Once the steel was set, however, excellent progress was made.

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Other Work Keeps Pace From the start, the building had been organized systematically so that structural erection would follow the excavation, and placement of the various materials, plumbing, and electrical fixtures would come after that. The general scheme was followed. That is why everything had to stop with the steel strike.

Concrete work in the building foundation was placed against wood forms, and the first-floor concrete deck was placed by using Dayton snap ties and stirrups to hang the forms from the structural members. Fireproofing up to the second floor consisted of concrete placed in wooden forms, but above that level, guniting was used. The concreting rate was set up for about 20 cubic yards per hour, including fireproof-ing. Six small CMC buggies were used from the various levels of a main tower, set along the east side of the building, to hoist materials up to the floors. A Waukesha-powered Clyde 3-drum hoist served this tower

An intercom system was installed to connect the hoisting-engine operator with men at the various floor levels. Safe, sure, and speedy, it was faster and safer than the old method of bell signals.

A DeWalt power saw, on the bottom floor, was the center of car-penter work. Panels were made so they could be used over and over, since much of the beam work and



This view of the new Gibralter Life Insurance Building in Dallas shows construction about at the halfway point, where it was when the steel strike hit. The derrick on top of the building is being used to raise steel. Ray Day Photo

fireproofing were typical. The Dayton snap ties were fastened against the forms from below, by means of a rubber-mounted rolling platform.

All men working on the floors below the riveting gang were protected by placing a temporary covering of 3 x 12 fir planks over the

top floor, and installing the Robertson Q-type decking immediately after the rough structural skeleton was in. The stairways also were installed immediately, so that climbing around on ladders and makeshift devices would be eliminated. The job lacked nothing in the way of organizing for safe conditions and systematic construction.

Tenants are now moving into a building at the corner of Harwood and Bryan Streets which is a real addition to the city's skyline.

Coated Work Glove

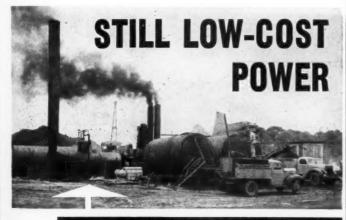
Literature is available on a coated work glove made by the Arcadia Mfg. Co., Birmingham, Mich. According to the manufacturer the glove retains its flexibility in extremes of heat and cold. The flameresistant glove has a seamless palm.

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Fitts Is a Mack Manager

K. L. Fitts recently took on the position of Manager of Off-Highway Truck Sales for Mack Motor Truck Corp., New York, N. Y. He succeeds P. J. Fleming, who recently retired after a long career with Mack.
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A Portable Winch

A lightweight, portable, gasolinepowered winch with a capstan-type drum for critical control of loads has been announced by Stampco Products, 2424 E. Franklin Ave., Minneapolis 6. Minn.

The Gypsiwinch models are equipped with gasoline power units ranging in size from 3/4 hp to 71/2 hp. Electrically powered models are also available. Two gripper-type handles facilitate moving the hoist about the job while the fabricated all-steel base may be secured by 1/2-inch lag bolts to provide a stable platform for pulling or lifting.

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The Gypsiwinch is also available in combination with cable drum, permitting use of either hoisting cable or manila line. Gasoline and electric power units used on the Gypsiwinch are instantly reversible and operated by a conveniently located lever control.

For further information write to the company, or use the Request Card that is bound in at page 18. Circle No. 852.

Kennedy Is President of ACI

Henry L. Kennedy is the newly elected President of the American Concrete Institute for 1953. Kennedy, Manager of the Cement Division of Dewey & Almy Chemical Co., Cambridge, Mass., has been a Consulting Engineer for 17 years, specializing in reinforcedconcrete design and construction. His experience in that field involves actual practice in the east and west coasts, middle west, Canada, Germany, England, and South America.

A member of ACI, Mr. Kennedy is the author of several papers including "Recent Developments in Concrete Durability" which won for him the Herschel Award from the Boston Society of Civil Engineers in 1947.

Two other ACI elected officers were: Charles S. Whitney, Consulting Engineer, of Ammann & Whitney, New York, N. Y., who was elected Vice President for two years; and C. H. Scholer, Head of the Department of Applied Mechanics, Kansas State College, Manhattan, Kans., who will continue as Vice President, a post to which he was elected in 1952.

Portable Masonry Saw

A new portable masonry saw has been announced by the Champion Mfg. Co., 2028 Washington St., St. Louis 3, Mo. The Tak-A-Bout's mounting is built of tubular steel. The unit weighs 245 pounds and has provision for accessory wheels for movement on the job.

Four models are available, two of which have a self-contained water system and a self-priming pump for wet cutting. The dry cutting models can be converted to wet cutting with a kit. The 14-inch-blade models have a 11/2-hp motor, while the 12inch-blade models have 1-hp motors.

For further information write to



the company, or use the Request Card at page 18. Circle No. 807.

Galion Movie on Grader

A new 16-mm color-sound movie has been completed by The Galion Iron Works & Mfg. Co., Galion, Ohio. The 23-minute film, entitled "Galion Makes the Grade", shows the Galion motor grader performing many operations during actual construction and maintenance work, and includes sequences on the manufacture of the grader, its hydraulic system, hydraulic side shift, gear-type tandem drive, and range of operating speeds.

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A new 12-yard model has been added to the standard 15.5-cubicyard scraper and 18-yard twinpower unit made by the Euclid Road Machinery Co., 1361 Chardon Rd., Cleveland 17, Ohio. In all three models levers replace cables and sheaves formerly used to multiply the stroke of hydraulic jacks that actuate the bowl lift, apron lift, and roll-out ejector. The jacks for the bowl lift and apron lift are mounted vertically and have been incorporated in the torque tube. This, together with the lever arrangement, lowers the height of the



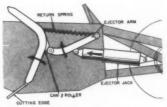
The new 12-yard Euclid scraper.

scraper nearly 2 feet, and is said to make it easier to top-load with shovels and draglines. About 90 feet of control cable is eliminated.

The components of the hydraulic system have been grouped together on the front of the tractor. pump is mounted internally in the

hydraulic tank, simplifying piping and eliminating the use of suction lines. Two lever-action hoists raise the bowl to a maximum height of 28 inches. The apron is lifted by a hoist and lever connected to apron by 11 feet of cable. This is the only cable used on the scraper. The apron and ejector can be operated together.

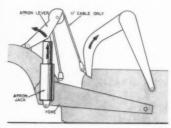
A lever also operates the rollout ejector. This lever has a roller acting against the ejector to push it forward. Near the end of the stroke the roller rides over a cam



Ejector operation

surface which accelerates the action, producing the necessary "snap" to dump sticky materials.

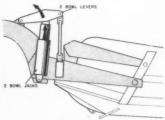
The new 12-yard scraper is powered by either a 200-hp Cummins engine or a 190-hp General Motors engine and has a 5-speed transmission. Tire size is 21.00 x 25. Struck capacity is 12 cubic yards;



Apron operation

heaped capacity is 14 cubic yards at 3 to 1 slope and 16 cubic yards at 1 to 1 slope.

The 15.5-cubic-yard scraper is identical in construction except for capacity, engine size, and number of forward speeds. The 15.5-yard scraper formerly was offered only with a 275-hp Cummins engine. The new model will be supplied with either a Cummins or General Motors 275-hp engine. It has a 10-speed



Bowl operation

transmission. Struck capacity is 15.5 cubic yards and heaped capacity 18 cubic yards at 3 to 1 slope and 21 cubic yards at 1 to 1 slope. Tire size is 24.00×25 .

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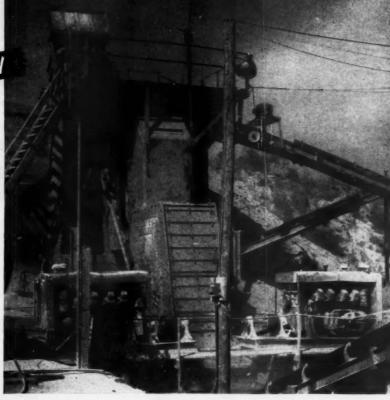
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Bridging 15-Mile-Wide Tampa

By WILLIAM H. QUIRK, Editor

Long Causeway Includes Five Separate Bridges

· SOMETIME in 1954, when the new Tampa Bay bridge is completed. motorists will be able to cut off 40 miles in travel between St. Petersburg and Bradenton on the west coast of Florida. The 15-mile crossing will eliminate the long drive through Tampa at the head of Tampa Bay, or the alternate choice of the ferry which now plies between St. Petersburg and a point on the mainland north of Bradenton, Financed by revenue bonds, the project will be a toll facility of the State Road Department of Florida. Design and construction are under the supervision of Parsons, Brinckerhoff, Hall & Macdonald, New York City consulting-engineer firm. Work started in October, 1950, and the estimated cost is \$21,000,000.

The long causeway includes five separate bridges - A, B, C, D, and and connecting hydraulic-fill embankments. It begins at Maximo Point in Pinellas County on the north or St. Petersburg end, and ends 79,815 feet to the south and east about a mile above Palmetto, on U. S. Highway 541, in Manatee County. Palmetto is directly north of Bradenton. Bridges and fill will accommodate two lanes of traffic. The structures are designed for H-15-44 loading.

This article will describe the types of structures making up the project. while the accompanying article will go into some of the varied construc-

Hydraulic-Fill Embankments

Work first got under way at the north end on the 4,440-foot-long embankment that extends south from Pinellas Peninsula to the first bridge known as structure A. This initial contract was awarded to the Atlantic Dredging & Construction Co., of Sat-

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A Whirley crane sets and drives sheet piling around a cofferdam frame



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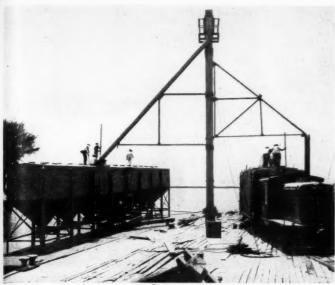
· AS might be expected on a 15mile water-crossing project, the contractors engaged brought to the job site an imposing fleet of floating equipment that included pile-driving rigs, derrick boats, concrete plants, supply barges, and craft to distribute the workmen around the job. Most of the equipment is the conventional type found in the inventory of a typical large contracting firm, but some was built especially for the needs of this particular job, such as Hardaway Contracting Co.'s floating concrete plants. Since a large portion of the bridge is built of precast members-piles, deck, and girder beams -the two principal bridge contractors set up adequate plants on shore to handle this phase of the work.

Hardaway at first, however, con centrated on getting a start with the construction of the 32 concrete piers for bridge C, so that the erection of the steel superstructure might follow in order. At the same time a casting yard was laid out and concreting equipment was installed at Port Tampa, on the west side of the peninsula that projects into the bay south of the city of Tampa. Connecting highways and a spur of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad afford transportation facilities to the plant site, which is the unloading center for all material used on the contract.

Bridge Piers

From the span over the main channel in bridge C, the 32 piers are numbered from 1N and 1S respectively on the north and south sides of the long structure. At the main piers the water in the bay is 30 feet deep. Below the bay bottom at pier 1N, borings disclosed 10 feet of shell mixed with limey sand; followed by a mixture of black silt, fine shell and sand about 12 feet thick; then a 10foot layer of limey marl; and finally

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dock in Port Tampa, bulk cement is unloaded from railroad cars, elevated, and then dropped through a swivel chute to the 8 Heltzel hopper-type bins on the barge.



on the bay, the cement is transferred from the supply barge to the Blaw-Knox bins on the floating concrete-mixing plant.

alternate layers of hard and soft limestone. These same substratum materials were encountered over most of the bay area but in no consistent pattern or depth. Bedrock was reached only on the south portion of the project.

Piers 1S and 5S inclusive, and all the piers on the north side, are supported on steel H-piling-Bethlehem 10, 12, or 14-inch sections up to 53 feet long, and usually spaced on 3foot, 6-inch centers both ways. The other piers, 65 through 165, on the south side are founded on spread footings. All piers are built within cofferdams of Bethlehem sheet piling-M116 and MZ32 sections, 50 feet long.

The conventional procedure was followed in pier construction. After the cofferdam was built, the excavation was clammed out, foundation

piles were driven where required, the underwater seal was poured, a cofferdam unwatered, then forms were erected and filled with concrete to complete the structure.

Piers 1N and 1S are the largest. the other piers gradually decreasing in size toward the abutments. For these two main piers, cofferdams 108 feet long x 45 feet wide were required. Above the footings, the first four piers on each side of the main span have twin shafts. Piers 5 through 16 have a single shaft, flaring out in a T-shape at the top.

Heavy Cofferdam

Because of the strong winds and heavy seas that are encountered in Tampa Bay, the contractor built sturdy all-steel cofferdams. Frames were assembled in the Port Tampa yard, and barged out to the site. One

floating rig picked up the frame and spotted it in position, while another rig drove 60-foot spud piles at the corners as anchors. Then the steel sheeting was driven with a McKiernan Terry 9-B-3 hammer. Frames had either two or three rings, according to the depth, consisting of 12 or 14-inch H sections. For extra strength and rigidity a 20-inch beam was placed around the top of the outside, and pulled in snugly with turnbuckles hooked to cables. Diagonal and cross bracing also employed 12 or 14-inch steel.

These structures stood up well against a violent storm that lashed Tampa Bay last October during the hurricane season. Hardaway Contracting Co. suffered considerable damage to its floating equipment, and several rigs were lost while others were sunk and were recovered only after laborious salvaging operations.

Foundation H-piles are being driven with 10-B-3 and 11-B-3 hammers rigged for underwater operation with 50-foot spud followers attached rigidly to the hammers. Floating rigs for the pier work included:

No. 1-A 52 x 137-foot barge mounting a Wiley whirley with a 100-foot boom and 25-ton lifting capacity.

No. 2-A 32 x 120-foot barge mounting a Clyde whirley with a 100-foot boom and 40-ton lifting capacity; sunk, now being salvaged.

No. 3-A 30 x 120-foot barge mounting a Northwest crane-25-D, 3/4-yard capacity. No. 4—A 32 x 120-foot barge

mounting a Link-Belt Speeder 21/2-

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The concrete pier at the left begins to take shape as Hardaway's floating concrete plant, upper right, prepares to pour the next pier.



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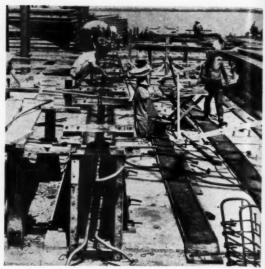
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1. Stressteel bars are slipped into Flex-Tubes. These flexible metal tubes insure proper alignment.



2. Workmen build up the steel form and place hairpin spacing bars



3. Overall view of girder form. A steel plate will be bolted to each end.



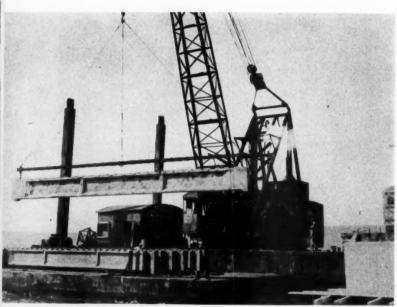
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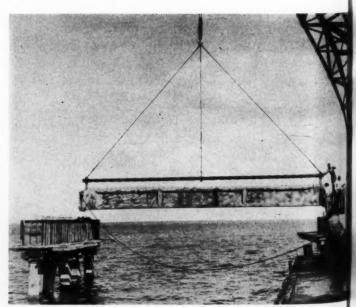
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Precast Prestressed Girders For Tampa Bay Bridge Trestle

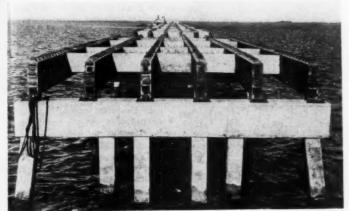
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6. Out on the bay, a Whirley crane picks up a prestressed girder from the supply barge. . . .



7. . . . and places it in position on the pile caps of two adjoining trestle bents.



The trestle begins to take shape with the six 48-foot girders in position across the pile caps.

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yard-capacity crane; sunk, but replaced with similar rig.

No. 5—An American stiffleg derrick boat, 40 x 75-foot barge, with a 90-foot boom and an American hoist; sunk, now being salvaged.

No. 6—A 2-cubic-yard concrete plant with one crane and inclined runway, barge 40×175 feet.

No. 7—A 1½-cubic-yard concrete plant, tandem drums, with 2 cranes, barge 38 x 175 feet. Original No. 7 sank and has since been replaced.

No. 10—A 42 x 100-foot barge mounting an American Revolver crane, 60-ton capacity.

crane, 60-ton capacity.

No. 11—A 38 x 85-foot barge mounting an American Revolver Crane, 22-ton capacity, with a 100-foot boom.

Some units are equipped with anchors and cables for positioning, while other rigs use spuds for that purpose.

Unwatering of the cofferdams after the seals were poured was generally done with a pair of Jaeger 6-inch Sure-Prime pumps or with well-type pumps. Once the water was removed, a Jaeger 3-inch pump sufficed to keep the cofferdam dry. A mixture of sand and cinders was dumped around the bottom of the sheeting to form a seal against the water. Cofferdam frames were used over and over again, and the sheeting was pulled with a Vulcan 800 pile extractor.

Form Work and Materials

Form panels were built on shore of 2 x 6 tongue-and-groove lagging, lined with 1/4-inch plywood and backed by 4 x 6 horizontal walers on 12 to 18-inch centers, held in place with Richmond ties. No vertical studs were used. Floating rigs lifted the form sections, usually 7 feet high, off the supply barges and set them in place. Reinforcing steel came from the Florida Steel Products Co., in Tampa; the Republic Steel Co., and Virginia Steel Co., in Birmingham, Ala.; and, because of the general shortage when the project was getting under way, some steel was shipped in from Belgium and Luxemburg.

Materials were brought to the bridge site from the yard on barges after an average 2-hour sail down the bay. Most of the hauling was done with three barges—two measuring 30 x 100 feet and the third, 33 x 120 feet. Three tugs did the

towing, and three personnel boats handled the men.

Bulk cement came from the Florida Portland Cement Co., in Tampa,



Workmen use a Simplex jack to stress the transverse bars between the girders

and Darex, an air-entraining agent, was added at the mixer. Crushed limestone, graded from $1\frac{1}{2}$ inches down, was supplied by the Florida

Crushed Stone Aggregate Co., of Brooksville, Fla. Sand came from nearby pits in Oak Ridge, Fla. Bay

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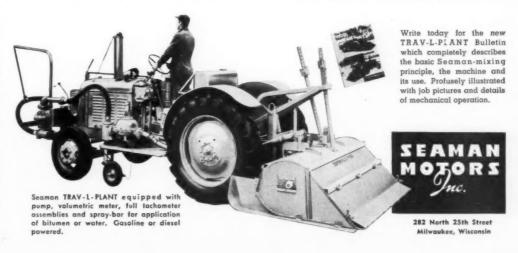
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water was used in the mix for all concrete below the tops of the footings. Above that level, fresh water from shore was transported by barge to the mixing plant for use in the concrete.

Floating Concrete Plant

Hardaway's floating concrete plant—rig No. 6—assembled for this job, is mounted on a steel barge—35 x 135 x 8 feet deep. Tanks in the hull contain 60,000 gallons of fresh water. At the bow is an inclined steel framework, 50 feet high and 70 feet long, to the top of which a 2-yard hopper of concrete is raised by an American 2-drum hoist powered by a GM diesel engine. Tracks for the bucket run along the steel



View looking northerly along structure A toward Pinellas Peninsula. The south bascule leaf is in raised position for the casting of the counterweight.

incline. From the high point at the forward end the concrete is discharged down a closed chute that can pivot on a swivel.

Behind the steel framework is a Blaw-Knox batching plant. The aggregate bins hold 20 yards of stone and 15 yards of sand, while the cement bin contains 240 barrels with a 300-barrel silo alongside for overflow storage. Materials are fed to a Koehring 56-S mixer directly under the plant where batches are mixed for 1½ minutes, then discharged into the bucket and lifted to the top of the steel tower. The plant has a capacity of 60 yards an hour.

At the rear of the batching unitrig No. 6-a Lima crane with a 60-foot boom and an Owen 3/4-yard clamshell bucket charges the aggregate bins from supply barges that tie up along the starboard side of the floating plant. Two sand and stone barges, 35 x 195 feet, haul the material from the Tampa yard. The port side is left free for the 30 x 120-foot cement barge to unload. Hardaway has two such barges. Each cement barge has lined up on deck eight Heltzel enclosed hopper bins that hold a total of three carloads or 750 barrels of cement. Loaded from cars at Port Tampa, this barge unloads to the batch plant through enclosed worm-gear conveyors. Syntron vibrators in the hoppers shake the cement loose from the side walls. One of these cement barges was sunk in the October storm but is being replaced.

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In Reserve

In the hull of the cement barge are tanks holding 13,000 gallons of fresh water. A 3-inch Jaeger pump at the plant takes water for the mix from either the bay or the storage tank on the barges. In reserve at the stern of the floating concrete plant is a Winslow Binanbatch with a 2-compartment storage bin and a Jaeger 1-yard mixer. This standby equipment is available should any breakdown occur to the main plant. As concrete is placed it is vibrated with Jackson vibrators.

To supplement this first floating plant in use, Hardaway later put into operation another concrete plant—rig No. 7—with a crane at each end. One crane charges the aggregate bins, while the other swings buckets of concrete to the forms instead of using a chute. When the work on the trestle got under way, more floating equipment was added to the fleet. Most of the craft are in constant communication with each

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The Mix

Different mixes were required for the underwater seal and the abovewater concrete. In general 6-bag batches were used. Typical weights for a 1-bag unit of each kind of concrete are as follows:

Cement.	Seal Concrete	Class A Concrete
Type 1 Sand Stone	94 lbs. 168 lbs. 305 lbs.	94 lbs. 165 lbs. 325 lbs.
Water Darex	6.2 gals. salt 0.5 ounce	

For each mix the cement factor was 1.5, but while the seal concrete had a 6-inch slump, the Class A vibrated concrete had only a 1 to 3-inch slump.

In the prestressing work at the yard, a 5,000-psi concrete was required with a 4 to 5-inch slump, and a total cement factor of 6.60 bags to the cubic yard. Weights on a 1-bag basis follow:

Cement, Type 1		94 lbs. 179 lbs.
Stone Sika Plastiment Water	(admixture)	281 lbs. 1 lb. 5.4 gals

At the Yard

At the casting yard in Port Tampa, Hardaway set up a traveling gantry crane and used a stiffleg derrick, together with a 30-ton diesel-driven locomotive crane for the bulk of the heavy lifting. For the concrete, dry batches were hauled from a Heltzel batch plant to a 34-E paver in a fleet of 7 trucks. A slab of concrete was poured as a casting bed on which the steel forms were laid out.

For the prestressed girder beams 46 feet 10 inches long x 3 feet 4 inches deep-three Stressteel special high-strength bars, 1 inch in diameter, are placed in the forms before the concrete is poured. The web of the beam is 4 inches thick and the flanges are 14 inches wide, with a raised key over the top flange to bond into the deck supported by the six stringers. All three bars are within the bottom flange of the beam at the mid point, and the two outer bars continue in a straight line to the anchorages at the ends. The center bar curves upward to come out near the top flange at the end anchorages, thereby minimizing end eccentricity. Fiber stresses at the ends are thus reduced, and shear forces are resisted. The bottom bars are kept 4 inches apart to give clearance for the anchor plates and jacking equipment.

Since the post-tensioning method of prestressing is specified-meaning that the stressing of the bars is done after the concrete has hardened-it was necessary to leave cavities in the girders through which the bars might be passed. Accordingly, the contractor began plac-

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T-shaped piers for structure C begin to rise. Part of the boom and A-frame of rig No. 5, sunk in a storm, can be seen between two piers

ing inflated rubber hoses in the forms, concreted around them, and later pulled out the hose leaving a conduit for the steel. This was tried with the first two beams but did not work out so well. It was too

difficult to maintain the proper alignment of the hose during casting. As a result the hole was too wavy to permit the entry of the rods.

This difficulty was overcome by

the use of Flex-Tube, a flexiblemetal duct tubing, 1% inches ID, in which the 1-inch bars were slipped. The tubing is light, easily handled, and slides readily over the prestressing bars. Bars and ducts are then placed in the forms and held in position with spacing bars. Ducts are cut off to length after passing through end plates which are then bolted securely. The upper plate is 5 x 5 x 11/2 inches, while the lower plate for the two bars is $9\frac{1}{4} \times 6 \times 1\frac{1}{2}$ inches. The girder is then ready for pouring, which is done with constant vibration of the concrete.

Bars are next prestressed by Preload with hydraulic jacks. After the bars are correctly elongated, about 21/4 inches, the anchor nuts are fastened and the jack released. Initial stress and working stress are 97,000 and 80,000 psi respectively.

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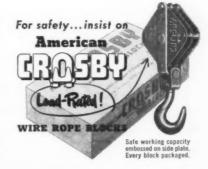


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The straight bars are jacked at one end only, while the curved bar is jacked at both ends. Grout is later injected under pressure into one end of the bar cavity, and continued until it discharges at the other end. This bonding of the prestressing increases the ultimate strength, reduces the size of cracks under overload, and is a guard against corrosion.

Work on the prestressed girders began in August, 1952, and the first composite members were erected on the bridge in November. After the six stringers for each span are set in place on 6-foot centers across the pile caps, precast diaphragms are positioned between the stringers at the third points for live-load disparting tribution. A 1-inch-diameter bar in

a 1¼-inch hole passes through each transverse diaphragm, and also through the 4-inch web of the longitudinal girders. The rods are then prestressed with Simplex jacks and pumps. This transverse post-tensioning operation follows the field erection of the girders and diaphragms.

By the end of this year Hardaway's contract is expected to be well on the way to completion.

Rattlesnake, Florida

The Hendry Corp. headquarters in Rattlesnake, just west of Tampa, are well located for the big bridge project. A yard was laid out along the waterfront in which the piles and deck sections were precast. Timber piles were driven to support the concrete working slab on which the steel forms were placed. A 100-ton derrick boat on the water and a locomotive crane on shore



A floating American Revolver places an erection guide for the prestressed stringers.

handled the lifting.

The contractor devised a unique way of freeing a poured member from its mold. In a slot under the bottom of the form he laid a flattened-out fire hose. When the concrete had cured sufficiently he inflated the hose, using about 25 pounds' pressure, to break the bond. The pile-supported foundation slab was a firm base for the hose to bear on. Members were picked up with eyebolts that were embedded in the concrete.

Piles were driven with a Vulcan No. 1 hammer held by a Lima crane mounted on a barge. The crane had a 90-foot boom. Caps were cast in place, the concrete being supplied by a floating plant consisting of a barge on which was mounted a Strayer 1-yard batcher and mixer and a Lima crane. Hendry Corp. also employed a Motorola 2-way radio system on its contract.

New Electrode Holder

A new 400-amp insulated electrode holder has been announced by The Lincoln Electric Co., 2201 St. Clair Avenue, Cleveland 17, Ohio. The nose of the Cooltong Consists of a copper core between four and six layers of laminated, glass-



impregnated, plastic cloth. The copper core, in addition to reinforcing, dissipates heat so that it will not concentrate in the nose causing deterioration in the insulation.

The jaws are made of non-spatter Mallory 3 Metal. They will handle electrodes from $\frac{1}{16}$ to $\frac{5}{16}$ inches in size and have a wide opening to permit quick release of stubs.

For further information write to the company, or use the Request Card at page 18. Circle No. 763.

Euclid Personnel Shift

A. W. Lehman, for the past 12 years Advertising Manager of Euclid Road Machinery Co., Cleveland, Ohio, has resigned from that company to become Vice President of Richard T. Brandt, Inc., Cleveland, an advertising firm that recently received the Euclid account.

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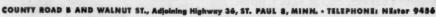
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suma, Fla., on a low bid of \$338,200. It included another 10,090-foot section of fill between structures A and B, and a 7,260-foot fill between structures B and C. The hydraulic fill totaled 2,600,000 cubic yards. In general, embankments were built wherever the water in the bay did not exceed 11 feet in depth. Bridges, of course, were required to span the deeper water in the bay.

Atlantic used its 14-inch pipeline dredge Sadye-M to build the fill. This 700-hp unit obtained some of the material for the embankments by cutting a 12-foot boat channel parallel to and 1,700 feet west of the causeway. The new channel provides a needed connection between the Intracoastal Waterway at structure A and Bunces Pass that is spanned by structure B. Practically all the fill for this first contract was completed in about 18 months.

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Hydraulic fill, totaling 1,300,000 yards, for the lower half of the project was placed by Benton & Co.. of Tampa, Fla., under a \$241,828 contract. The 16-inch, 1,800-hp dredge No. 3 obtained material from various borrow areas for Benton's two embankment sections—3,770 feet between structures C and D, and 8,960 feet between D and the west end of Terra Ceia Island. This work is substantially completed.

Embankments are built up so that the crown of the road has an elevation of 7.25 MLW. The roadway consists of a 24-foot pavement, crowned from the center ¼ inch to the foot, and flanked by 8-foot shoulders. Side slopes are 20 to 1 to the water line, then 10 to 1 to the bottom of the bay. The paving will probably be a flexible type, although no contract has yet been awarded. Shoulders and slopes will be stabilized and protected against wave wash and storms.

Two-Bridge Contract

Hendry Corp. of Rattlesnake, Fla., was awarded the contract for structures A and B on its low bid of \$838,-940. A is 1,226 feet long, and consists of a reinforced-concrete trestle on either side of a 100-foot doubleleaf steel-bascule span over the Intracoastal Waterway. B has a length of 1,552 feet, and is of similar design with an 82-foot steel fixed span over Bunces Pass. Bents have four 16inch-square precast piles up to 60 feet in length, with the two outer piles battered and the two inner piles plumb. Every fourth bent is a 6-pile tower bent, and the spans are 36 feet. Caps measuring 3 x 3 x 33 feet are cast in place with the piles projecting one foot into the caps.

The 68 concrete decks, 36 feet long, making up the two bridges are precast. A deck is cast in two sections, each weighing 64 tons and measuring 36 feet x 18 feet 8½ inches. Four beams, spaced 9 feet 10 inches on centers, support a 7½-inch slab. On each side of the 28-foot roadway is a 3-foot sidewalk protected by a castin-place guardrail. The walks are primarily for fishermen who are fully aware that Florida bridges are choice locations for a good catch.

Principal items in the Hendry 2-bridge contract, which is scheduled

for completion this year, are approximately as follows:

Concrete—abutments, caps 935 cu. yds.
Concrete—bascule piers 925 cu. yds.
Concrete—precast decks, walks,
curbs
eniforcing steel
Precast-concrete piling 25,550 im ft.
Structural steel—bascule span 135 toms

Three Other Bridges

Largest of the contracts, covering bridges C, D, and E, went to the Hardaway Contracting Co., of Columbus, Ga., on a low bid of \$7,614,-236. Part of the superstructure for bridge C is of structural steel which was handled under a separate \$3,873,991 contract to the Virginia Bridge Co., of Roanoke, Va., now the American Bridge Division.

Longest of all the five structures, bridge C stretches out for 5 miles between two sections of hydraulic fill. It consists of RC approach trestles, 114 miles long on the north end and 21/2 miles on the south end, flanking the main 11/4-mile bridge. The latter

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spans the 30-foot-deep Mullet Key Channel, main ship passage to the port of Tampa. This central portion of the bridge consists of a high-level through-truss cantilever span 864 feet long, providing 800-foot horizontal navigation clearance and 141½ feet of vertical clearance. The structure is symmetrical. Next to the channel span on each side is a

360-foot through-truss anchor span, followed by two simple-deck truss spans, each 289 feet 3 inches long. Next comes six 140-foot and six 100-foot deck-girder spans, giving this part of the bridge a total length of 5,621 feet. Maximum grades to the midpoint of the center span are 5 per cent. The steel spans are sup-

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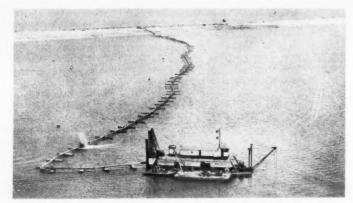
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ported on 32 concrete piers.

The concrete trestles total 349 spans, 48 feet long, with 122 spans on the north and 227 spans on the south side: Bents contain four 20-inch-square precast piles with every third structure a 6-pile tower bent. Caps over the piles are cast in place, but the beams or stringers are precast with prestressed concrete. The deck is poured in place.

Prestressed Beams Optional

Alternate bids were considered for these trestles, covering 36-foot castin-place spans; precast spans; and 48-foot precast prestressed beams with poured-in-place decks. The latter design, submitted as part of the



The dredge Sadye-M pumps hydraulic fill through a floating pipeline for the causeway embankment. Over 2,600,000 cubic yards were required for the job.

contractor's bid by The Preload Co., Inc., of New York City, was tested and approved by the consultants. It developed a saving of approximately \$144,000, resulting from the 121 fewer bents required because of the longer spans, and the reduction in the amounts of steel and concrete needed. Each span has six beams for stringers.

For the 3 miles plus of trestles, it was necessary to cast and prestress more than 2,000 beams-46 feet 10 inches long x 3 feet 4 inches deep; top and bottom flanges are 14 inches wide and the web thickness is 4 inches. The post-tensioning method of prestressing is used. Steel in each beam consists only of three 1-inchdiameter Stressteel bars made of high-strength alloy steel equipped with special threaded-nut end-anchorage assemblies and bearing plates. This material originated in England and its use in prestressing is known as the Lee-McCall system. The Tampa Bay bridge marks its first use in this country in linear construction.

All the special steel for this project is imported from England, but a manufacturing plant in Wilkes-Barre, Pa., will start supplying the bars and anchorages for use in this country this month. The domestic firm that has the exclusive rights to the Lee-McCall system is Stressteel Corp., of New York City.

More of Hardaway

Bridges D and E in the Hardaway contract are each 335 feet long and of the same design and construction as the trestles in C, with seven 48-foot spans to a structure. Bridge D, flanked by two sections of hydraulic fill, spans a newly dredged channel connecting with McGill Pass. Further along, the new route crosses Terra Ceia Island, then spans Terra Ceia Bay with bridge E. From the south end of the bridge a 1,390-foot embankment connects to the Florida mainland. Fills on either side of structure E are by Benton & Co.

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Hardaway Contracting Co. started work in March, 1952, and is expected to finish its part of the project by Sept., 1954. The major items in this contract include the following approximate quantities:

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Class A concrete, footings
Class A concrete, above footings
Concrete for seals
Reinforcing steel
Steel H-pilling, 12 and 14-inch 74-750 lin, ft.

Trestles

Prestressed girder spans 17,422 lin. ft.
Reinforcing steel 250 tons
Precast-concrete piles, 20 inches
square
with 10-inch H beams 51,350 lin. ft.

Personnel

For Parsons, Brinckerhoff, Hall & Macdonald, Resident Engineer at the site is Peter A. Hakman. Maurice N. Quade, partner in the firm, exercises general supervision over the work.

On the Hendry Corp. contract, George H. Asbell is General Superintendent. For Hardaway Contracting Co., D. M. Plyler is Project Manager; Art Goodale, General Superintendent; Ralph Bird, Superintendent at the casting yard; and Karl Mullis, Superintendent on the floating concrete plant. A. D. Vick is Superintendent for The Preload Construction Corp.

The State Road Department of Florida is headed by Richard Simpson, Chairman; Sam P. Turnbull is State Highway Engineer; W. E. Dean, Engineer of Bridges and J. M. Watson, Engineer of Construction.

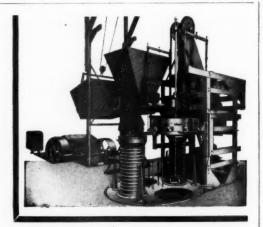
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Motorola Personnel News

L. Harriss Robinson, formerly Manager of Region 7 of Motorola Communications & Electronics, Inc., Chicago, Ill., is the new Manager of the company's Washington, D. C., office. The position has been created as a result of increased Government requirements for mobile-radio, power-line-carrier, supervisory-control and microwave-communications equipment.

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3938 Wilshire Blvd., Room 201 Los Angeles 5, California Regional Manager, succeeds Mr. Robinson as Manager of Region 7. He will be in charge of sales and distribution of Motorola communication products to Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia, North Carolina, and the District of Columbia.

Surveying Instruments

A folder on surveying instruments shows various models of transit and includes a theodolite, a tachymeter, and a number of levels. A 5½-inch contractor's transit and a tachymeter for quickly reading distances and differences of elevation simultaneously are among the instruments described. The booklet also shows a combination level-transit.

To obtain this literature write to the Fennel Instrument Corp. of America, 478 Water St., New York 2, N. Y., or use the Request Card at page 18. Circle No. 831.



Ejector extensions, such as the one shown on this Caterpillar No. 21 scraper, are now available from Caterpillar Tractor Co., Peoria, III., on five models of scrapers, the No. 20, No. 21, No. 70, No. 80, and No. 15. The extensions are designed to reduce spillage and loading time. For further information write to the company, or use the Request Card at page 18. Circle No. 742.



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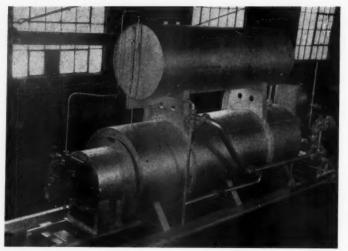
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A hot-oil heater system for asphalt plants is offered by the Hot Oil Heater Co., Inc., 246 Walnut St., Newtonville 60, Mass.

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the company, or use the Request Card that is bound in at page 18. Circle No. 820.

Heil Equipment in Movie

The Heiliner scraper and bottomdump wagon may be seen in action and in color in a new 16-mm sound film recently released by The Heil Co., Milwaukee, Wis. Job shots show the high-speed earth-moving units (18-cubic-yard Model 2C800 and 15-cubic-yard Model 2C500 Heiliners) at work in different types of material, and scenes made at the Heil test grounds show the operating qualities of this equipment.

The movie is 400 feet long and runs for 12 minutes. It is available to contractors, mine operators, and interested industrial firms, from district sales offices of Heil and Heiliner distributors. Educational institutions may request the film through The Heil Co., Road Machinery Division, Milwaukee 1, Wis.

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Air-Powered Saw

An air-powered saw is the subject of a folder from Wright Power Saw & Tool Corp., 292 Longbrook Ave., Stratford, Conn. The saw has twin interlocked reciprocating sawblades. According to the manufacturer, it cuts 6 x 8-inch timbers in 17 to 23 seconds at 90-pound pressure and 12 x 12's in 50 to 70 seconds. Construction details and specifications of the saw are included in the booklet.

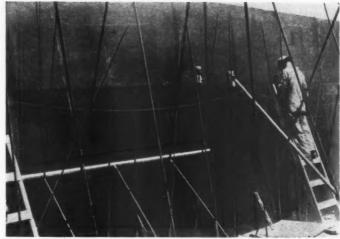
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Data on Wood-Fiber Panel

A booklet on a wood panel that is used as a form liner or structural form board is announced by the Masonite Corp., 111 W. Washington St., Chicago 2, Ill. Presdwood is suitable for interior or exterior use in construction of beams, girders, slabs, walls, columns, foundations, and arches. It is said to give a smooth concrete surface without disfiguration. Board sizes are 4 x 8 feet and 4×12 feet. Thicknesses available are % and ¼ inch. The specific gravity of the material is said to be greater than that of northern hard maple.

The manufacturer points out that the large panels used as form boards improve hydration of concrete by maintaining the established waterto-cement ratio. There are fewer cracks or joints for moisture to seep through and the board is said to ab-



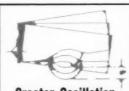
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Bricklayers working on the hospital in New Orleans, La., make extensive use of Patent hanging masonry scaffolds.

foot-long x 50-foot-wide main building facing the intersection of two streets. A rear wing is 175 feet long and 50 feet wide. The facade is stone-faced and the remainder faced with multicolored brick.

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and a No. 1 Vulcan hammer drove all the piles. It was powered by a 60-hp Clyde oil-fired boiler. rig drove about 50 piles per day.

Stumps Were a Problem

Pile driving and excavation brought out an interesting problem for the contractor. The job site had originally been a filled-in cypress swamp. When the cypress was first cleared, the stumps had been too

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large to move, and therefore were simply covered over.

Naturally, the piles were driven right through the big stumps. When the 3/4-yard Koehring dragline began to excavate, the contractor found that stumps up to 6 feet in diameter had to be pulled out. The larger ones were chopped up and dragged out with winch and cable. Down at pilecap level, one stump had 13 piles driven through it. Hand axes were the only implements that would get the heavy watersoaked wood out of the way.

After some 18,000 yards of earth had been excavated, the piles were cut off with a Homelite one-man saw. Two inches of sand, gravel, and cement was laid to dry the bottom.

Concrete Pouring

After the pile caps and footings were in, the 13-inch walls were poured in Universal forms. A 5inch ledge was left for brick. The 2,500-pound concrete was waterproofed with Pozzolith.

Southwest metal pans were used on the deck pours. Beams were formed by shiplap and Universal snap-in ties. Acrow jacks shored up the interior beam bottoms and job-made wooden T-shores supported the spandrel beams during and after pouring. Forms were reused up to 12 times. All concrete was transit-mix and was poured with a Koehring crane and a Gar-Bro 1/2yard bottom-dump bucket. The crane used a 60-foot boom and a 20-foot jib. Top pour in one day was 147 yards on the third floor deck.

Hanging Masonry Scaffold

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struction teature was the extensive use of Patent hanging masonry scaffolds. Steel outriggers projected from the top floors around the complete periphery of the building. This kept brick rising uniformly on all parts of the building and permitted bricklayers to work in a shady section during most of the day.

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The interior walls are finished with backup tile, and the 2½-inch interior partitions are metal lath and plaster. The height to the suspended ceiling is 9 feet. The roof consists of Foamglas insulating blocks and built-up roofing. Expansion joints are built into the main structure 75 feet from each end.

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architectural firm of Favrot, Reed, Mathes & Bergman, New Orleans. La.; William Slavin was Construction Superintendent for Farnsworth & Chambers Construction Co., Inc., the general contractor.

Civil Defense Awards

A series of awards for outstanding plant-protection programs in the state has been inaugurated by the New York State Civil Defense Commission. International Business Machine Corp., Endicott, N. Y., is the first to receive such a presentation. This took the form of a white flag overprinted with the large red letters, "Awarded for Plant Protection" and the familiar Civil Defense insignia. Along with this banner, a citation, suitable for framing, was included as part of the award.

C. R. Hueber, Director of the Commission, has urged all other plants in the state to qualify for the award by enrolling and training CD workers in a plant-protection program, and to urge workers to volunteer for CD services in their local communities. Gen. Hueber says that adequate safety measures for a plant must include organization and planning for protection of the employees and the establishment, including essential machinery and equipment. The personnel must know their responsibilities, and there must be installed warning devices, shelters, and emergency supplies and equipment.

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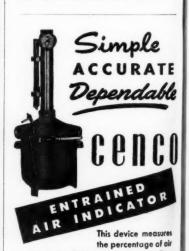
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American Cyanamid V. P.

L. C. Perkinson has been promoted Vice President of American Cyanamid Co., New York, N. Y. In 1945 he became Treasurer of the company, and a director in 1946.

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A new gradation-control unit for the Barber-Greene 20 to 35-tonper-hour Model 840 asphalt plant, provides 3 or 4-bin screening and separation of the aggregate after drying.

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A model mounted on a rubbertired chassis, the 863, is identical in operation with Model 864, although it can be towed behind a truck for moving from job to job. Both models are normally equipped for 3-bin separation, but can be adapted to a 4-bin setup by adding an auxiliary fourth bin.

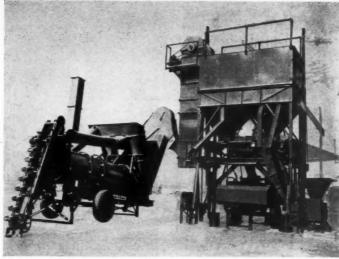
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Apprenticeship Conferences

The Annual Eastern Seaboard Apprenticeship Conference is being held May 27-29 at Wentworth-by-the-Sea, near Portsmouth, N. H. In addition, the New York State Apprenticeship Council, in the Department of Labor, announces it will sponsor a New York State Apprenticeship Conference to be held in early November, 1953. It is to be a "working conference" to promote and improve training programs throughout the state, and it is hoped that members of joint apprenticeship committees, directors of training programs, and others in high positions connected with management and labor will attend.

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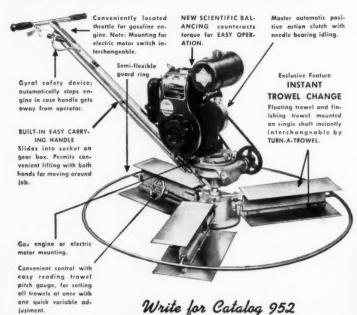
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Steel Masonry Scaffolding

Adjustable steel masonry scaffolding is described in a folder from Morgen Mfg. Co., Yankton, S. Dak. Trussed-steel tower units connect by tubular-steel bracing bars to make scaffolding for any length of wall. The entire scaffolding is assembled at the 3-foot wall level and no additional materials, labor, or scaffolding are needed until the wall reaches 15 feet. The folder shows the scaffolding erected for bricklaying.

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Pouring concrete into forms along the side of Wisconsin Avenue Viaduct, Milwaukee, Wis. The operator of the Schield-Bantam crane couldn't see below bridge level, so a signal-ling system was devised and the concrete lowered 70 feet over the side of the bridge.

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Heavy arterial traffic had to be kept going on a viaduct while an extensive "remodeling" job was under way. This was the problem facing Concrete Contractors, Inc., Milwaukee, Wis., when the firm took over a contract for removing an old railing and sidewalk, installing new walks and railings, and placing a 6-inch facing of concrete over the entire exterior sidewall of Wisconsin Avenue Viaduct in Milwaukee—a ½-mile-long 70-foot-high structure. The solution was to have as few pieces of equipment as possible.

Concrete Contractors decided on a truck - mounted Schield - Bantam crane. By changing front-end attachments as required, and using a ½-yard concrete bucket, a 1,000-pound skullcracker ball, and a clamshell, five separate operations were accomplished from street level with

the one truck crane. This is how it was done.

Operation 1 was the building of staging and bridge forms for the concrete facing work. Here the crane was used to lower heavy beams 40 feet down for bracing interior forms under the spandrel wall. Next came the pouring of concrete into forms along the side of the viaduct. This was tricky as the operator couldn't see below bridge level. However, an ingenious signaling system was devised and the operator used the crane's power boom lowering to spot the bucket accurately onto chute openings below.

Operation 3 involved the removal of old railing sections over the whole length of the bridge. In this case Concrete Contractors used the crane attachment to load the concrete sections (some weighing as much as 9,500 pounds) and street light pedestals onto waiting trucks.

The fourth operation was breaking up the old sidewalk all along the bridge, and for this the skullcracker ball was hooked on. Finally, cleaning up the job before laying new walks and rails involved the removal of broken concrete, fill dirt, and other refuse. Here the operator made use of the clamshell attachment.

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Prestressed-Concrete Roads Under Review

Pretensioning, Post-Tensioning Discussed. Experiments Abroad Show Importance of Subgrade, High-Quality Concrete

By Col. W. P. ANDREWS, Cement and Concrete Association, London, England be very much longer and hence there would be fewer joints; that there would be a substantial saving of steel as compared with normal reinforced-concrete construction; that the concrete, being always in compression, would not crack and hence such troubles as occurred from mud pumping would be eliminated; and, finally, that on bad subgrades which are impossible to stabilize there would be a very good load distribution.

Another interesting point in the use of prestressed concrete for runways is that a sufficient length of concrete could be laid without expansion joints to permit a jet plane to warm up and take off. In this respect it is well to remember that while concrete runways are not damaged by jet planes, the expansion joints in such runways are a problem, as the jet tends both to melt the bitumen in the joint and to blow away the joint sealer and filler. It will be seen therefore that the introduction of prestressing has sufficient potential advantages to justify further investigation.

Against these advantages should be mentioned the fact that we have as yet insufficient information on the subject. For example, there is no unanimity of opinion as to the best method of placing the steel or the best position for the steel. We do not know how frequently expansion joints should be included, and if such joints are 3 or 4 inches

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The following paper was prepared by Col. Andrews to be read at the 1953 Annual Meeting of the American Road Builders' Association in Boston, Mass. In the author's unavoidable absence, the paper was read by Professor Ben H. Petty of Purdue University.

· ONE might feel that there are already sufficient complications in ordinary concrete-road design and construction without introducing further trouble in the way of prestressing. In normal concrete roads the design is based on movements of the slabs due to temperature and moisture, having regard to the lowtensile strength of concrete and the friction between the slab and the subgrade. This involves frequent joints to prevent cracking, and such joints are not only difficult to make and maintain, but are weak spots in the road and may impair its riding qualities. As a slab contracts in cold weather it tends to crack, because the concrete is weak in tension and is unable to overcome the subgrade friction, even when reinforced. This tendency to crack increases with the length of the slab. Also the temperature gradient sets up zones of tensile and compressive stresses, the magnitude of which depends largely on the thickness of the slab.

Why Prestressing?

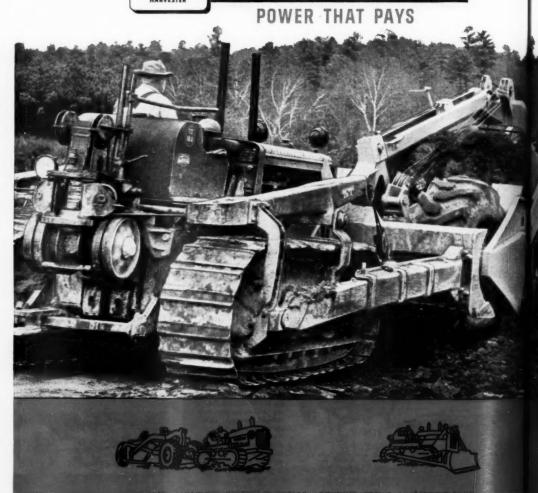
If we provide in the slab a compressive prestress to overcome these two stresses it will be possible to construct long slabs without joints. The amount of prestress will vary with the thickness and length of the slab. By increasing the prestress over and above that required to overcome temperature and subgrade-restraint effects, the load-bearing capacity of the slab will be increased, and so a thinner slab, with consequent economy of material, can be used.

In our experience so far, the greatest length of slab that can be economically laid is 400 feet. Greater lengths will involve increased subgrade friction, which will demand more steel or higher stresses in the steel to produce the desired stress in the concrete and involve wide and costly expansion joints at the ends of the slab. However, prestressing does promise very definite advantages, among which may be mentioned a saving of material in that a much thinner section of concrete would be permissible without loss of strength; that the slabs could

while concrete runways are not damaged by jet planes, the expansion joints should be included, and if such joints are 3 or 4 inches

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wide we have yet to devise a method of constructing them. Observation, however, on two prestressed roads in England, each 400 feet long, has shown that the maximum change of length from extremes of temperature between summer and winter has been much less than one would expect in normal concrete roads. Normally we cater for a 3/4inch expansion from the lowest to the highest atmospheric temperatures, which would give us an expansion of 3 inches in a 400-footlong slab. In the prestressed slabs we got only 3/4-inch of expansion at each end in one case and 1/2-inch at each end in the other. It would

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also appear that the amount of expansion depends largely on the friction between the slab and the base. Where the ½-inch expansion occurred at each end the base was rather uneven. Where the ¾-inch expansion occurred at each end the base was smoother—a sand bed covered with waterproof paper.

Earlier Work in Prestressed Pavements

One of the earliest pavements in prestressed concrete was the runway at Orly Airport, France, which Eugene Freyssinet constructed in 1945-46. It was 1,368 feet long and 195 feet wide and consisted of precast-concrete slabs, each 1 meter

square and 6½ inches thick, laid on a sand base. The subgrade was of questionable quality. At both ends of the runway heavy concrete abutments were constructed. These were 6 feet 6 inches wide, prestressed in both directions, and anchored into the ground by 12 anchor pits 26 feet deep. The pits were circular on plan and widened at the bottom to give the best resistance against uprooting.

The whole runway was divided into six isosceles triangles, which were formed by joints at 45 degrees with the longitudinal axis. The vertical faces of these joints were provided with frictionless rollers be-

tween steel plates. The tensioning of the cables was done transversely, which gave a resultant longitudinal stress tending to lengthen the runway. This was, however, counteracted by the abutments. The result was that the whole runway was in compression both longitudinally and transversely.

This method is hardly likely to be repeated. At the time of construction, which was immediately after the liberation of France, there was a complete absence of road-making plant in that country and the quality of the cement was questionable due to the difficulty of getting suitable coal. For these reasons Mr. Freyssinet adopted the precast slab so that the concrete would be made under close supervision and under factory conditions. Naturally the method was very slow and the cost of making, transporting, and bedding the precast slabs high, and justified only by the peculiar circumstances of the time. Nevertheless this runway has given over 7 years' very satisfactory service and under test loadings immediately after construction it behaved as the designer anticipated.

Repeated loadings of 100 tons were made at various points, and though some cracks did develop they closed up again when the load was removed. In fact such cracking was considered by Mr. Freyssinet to be more beneficial than otherwise. By comparison, an ordinary concrete runway 12 inches thick will crack under a load of 40 tons at the edges or 50 tons in the middle, and the cracks will not recover.

In the spring of 1949 a small length of prestressed concrete road was constructed at Esbly on the River Marne in France. This road was an approach to a prestressedconcrete bridge and it was 164 feet long, 26 feet wide, and 61/2 inches thick. It was post-tensioned with Freyssinet cables which were laid at an angle of 45 degrees to the center line of the road and at 29-inch centers. These cables consisted of 12 wires each of 5 mm diameter, and the ends of the cables were passed through special precast-concrete curbs along each side of the road. The female cones had already been embedded in these curbs and each cable was tensioned from both ends.

The amount of reinforcement in this road would appear to be excessive, as is the number of cones. It may be that there was a surplus of cables and cones from the neighboring bridge and this was the most economical way of disposing of them.

In 1950 a prestressed-concrete road was constructed at Crawley. England, and was 400 feet long and 26 feet wide, the concrete being laid in two longitudinal strips. The concrete in this case was 6 inches thick. Again the Freyssinet method of prestressing was adopted. The cables were laid at an angle of about 30 degrees with the center line and at 7-foot 6-inch centers. They passed through a concrete haunch on either side of the road in which the female cones had been embedded. The cables were first laid before the concrete was placed and were enclosed in stout steel sheaths. Again tensioning was done from both ends of each cable. Between the time of

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Atlanta airport expansion job is scene of new triumph for International power

When C. A. A. district headquarters decided to move to Atlanta, Georgia, the east-west runway at nearby Fulton County Airport had to be extended to 5,000-foot length.

One contractor, C. L. Rhodes of Decatur, Georgia, is doing the entire job, including cutting through a 39-foot hill and moving 350,000 cubic yards of sandy clay.

Rhodes' General Superintendent, R. N. Smith, tells how the work is going:

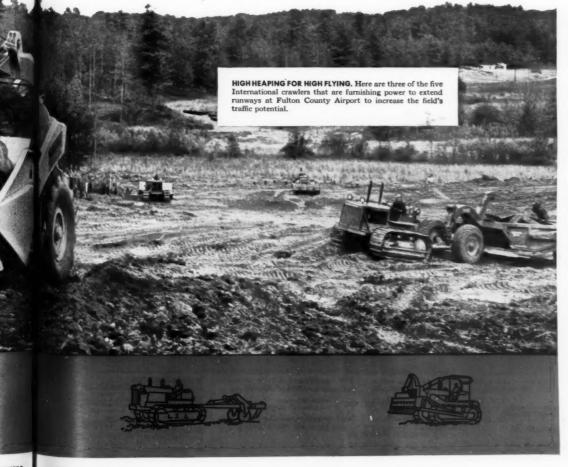
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Prestressed Concrete

(Continued from preceding page) placing the concrete and the date of applying the tensile stresses to the cables about seven cracks had developed in the concrete. When the road was stressed these cracks all closed up and there has been no

further trouble from them. The experiences at Esbly and at Crawley suggested to the CACA the desirability of investigating the problems of prestressed roads more fully and trying out different methMethods of Prestressing

In structural prestressed-concrete work there are in general two methods of prestressing-pretensioning and post-tensioning. In the first the steel is tensioned and elongated against fixed abutments to the calculated amount, and the concrete is placed and compacted around it, the load on the steel being transferred to the concrete after the concrete has hardened. In the second method the steel cables are free to move in the concrete and are tensioned after the concrete has hardened.

In road and runway construction

another method, suggested by Dr. Fritz Leonhardt of Germany, is to compress the concrete by means of suitable jacks reacting between the slab and a fixed abutment, thus obviating the use of any steel. This method suffers from the disadvantage that its use is limited to flat straight slabs because of the danger of blow-ups. Also any damage to the abutments or any displacement of them might result in the loss of all the stress in the slab, and the possibility of such damage to a runway in wartime cannot be overlooked.

The pretensioning method is not practical in road or runway construction owing to the difficulty of forming suitable anchorages for the steel. It has been advocated by Kurt Billig, but there is no record of its having been tried in practice. Hence in our opinion the most practical method is that involving the posttensioning of the cables after the concrete has matured.

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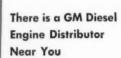
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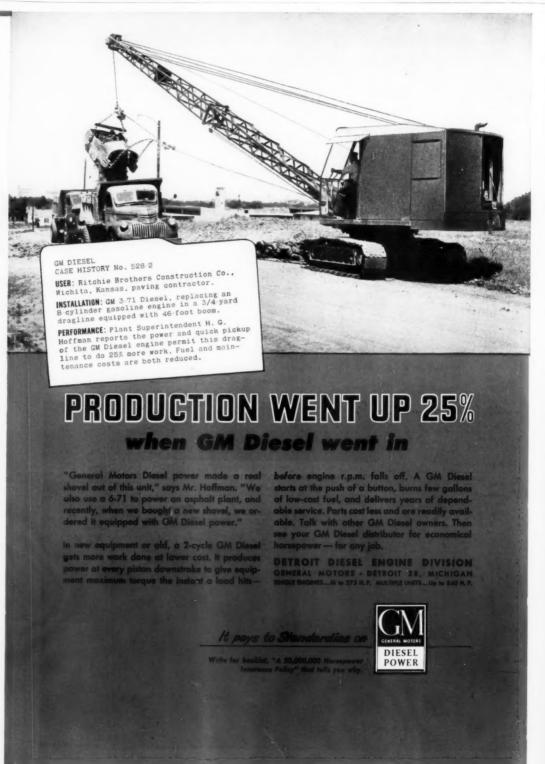
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In the CACA we have felt that practically all the prestress is required in the longitudinal direction, though in the case of wider slabs a little transverse stress or even simple reinforcement might be an advantage. It is well, however, to remember that where transverse stressing is introduced in such a case, involving one cable passing over another, the cables will occupy a thickness of 3 to 4 inches, which is a very high proportion of a slab 6 inches thick. We considered that in longitudinal stressing the most obvious method was to pass the cables straight down the length of the slab from end to end and to anply the stress at one or both ends. Comparing this method with the diagonal stressing there is a small saving in steel, but there are much fewer stressing operations required, which means a great saving in cones, labor, and general overheads.

Details of Work

At our research station at Wexham Springs we constructed three lengths of road, 190 feet, 110 feet, and 130 feet in length, in all cases using the Freyssinet cables made up of 12 wires each of 5-mm diameter. The following is a detailed description of the work done on the 110foot length.

In this length we had two cables up each side of the road. They were enclosed in a light steel sheath and at one end, the furthest from the jacking point, the wires of the outer cable were exposed and splayed out with their ends hooked to form an anchorage and also give corner reinforcement, while the inner cable was continuous. The cables were placed in position and supported on concrete blocks before the concrete was placed. The other end of the cables passed through female cones and extended beyond the end of the slab. After the cables were in position the concrete was placed and compacted by a finisher, which gave very dense compaction and a crushing strength of the concrete at 14 days of about 6,000 pounds per square inch. When the concrete was 14 days old the stress was applied.

Loss of Prestress Is Overcome

The initial load applied to the cables was 70 tons per square inch, which should have given an extension of 7.5 inches in the cable. However, under the full load the total

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extension was only 4.87 inches and although the load was increased to 80 tons per square inch it was not possible to get anywhere near the estimated extension. Investigation showed a steady loss of prestress throughout the length of the cable, and only half of the estimated prestress at the end furthest from the jacking.

We released the load and cut holes in the concrete to expose and examine the cable. We found the steel sheath crushed hard against the cable; in fact, the lines of the cables were clearly indented in the steel sheaths, which indicated that the excess of friction was due to the fact that in compacting the concrete we also crushed the steel sheath against the cables. We applied the load again and measured the extension in the cable at 15-foot intervals along this length, but were still unable to get our estimated extension

This loss through friction was common to all three roads which we had constructed and indicated the necessity for devising some means of overcoming it. A much stronger steel sheath such as was used at Crawley would be satisfactory but too expensive. We experimented with forming a hole in the concrete by means of a duct and this was partly satisfactory, but there was a sagging in the duct which caused difficulty in passing the cables through the duct and still left considerable friction. After several experiments we finally evolved method which was subsequently used with success in May, 1952, at Basildon, Essex, England. This method consisted of laying a 30-foot length of water barrel whose external diameter was slightly bigger than the external diameter of the cables, and supporting this at frequent intervals on concrete blocks.

Concreting proceeded over and around this barrel, the concrete being compacted by a vibrating hand tamper. As concreting proceeded, the barrel was drawn forward by means of a chain-and-cable attachment to a winch. Here may be mentioned the importance of getting a straight pull in line with the barrel, as otherwise there would be a tendency to start a longitudinal crack in the concrete over the barrel. Concreting proceeded continuously

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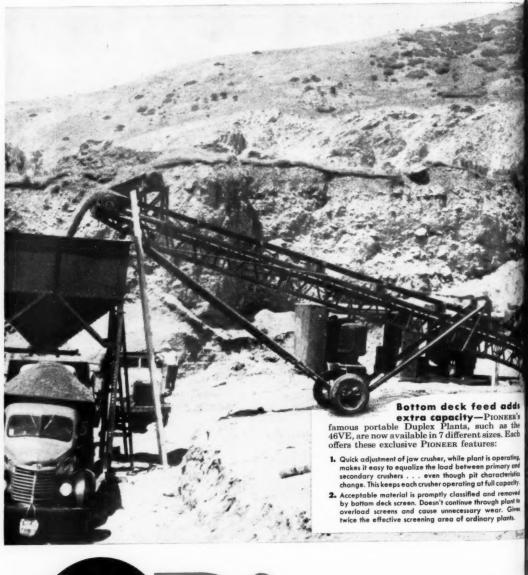
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The Model TLF-150 Transco Load Master.

clutch. There are four forward and reverse speeds. The manufacturer stresses the accessibility of vital parts for maintenance.

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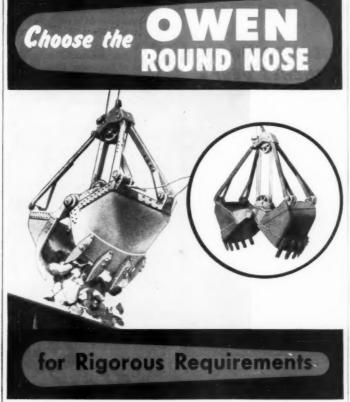
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Lowry Airbase Apron Calls for Precision Work To Meet "Impossibilities" in Project Specifications

• THE Project Manager on paving for Western Paving Construction Co. of Denver, Colo., Harold Stillman, is not what you would call a laboratory-minded engineer. Most of his work has been on the contracting side of the fence. But when this was written, Harold Stillman was carrying a shovel and a bucket around with him in his car, looking for a size 80 sand which Colorado

doesn't have. Stillman was fairly sure about that, because he had reached the point where he dreamed about impossible sand at night.

The cause of his dilemma was a \$1,336,222 contract job with the Corps of Engineers for a parking apron at Lowry Air Force Base in Colorado. This job included some select base and asphaltic concrete whose gradations had been so closely



This Standard asphalt plant was set up along a river bottom in Denver to supply hot mix to the Lowry Air Force Base job.

set that unusually precise field consign was planned to meet the loading and fuel-spillage characteristics of aircraft using this training center for Air Force personnel, but even the Corps of Engineers' Resident Engineer, Hermann Ullrich, admitted near-impossibilities in some aspects of the specifications.

Some of the practical requirements faced by Stillman's men were interesting indeed. They had to remove all No. 200 mesh material from the mineral aggregate, but leave the

No. 80 mesh in. It turned out to be a nearly impossible trick. Material classified as 0.02 mm-considerably finer than No. 200-had to be measured and held below 3 per cent. Fractured surfaces had to be made for 75 per cent of the base-course material. In effect, all No. 200 material was forced out of the hot-mix aggregate, and this had to be replaced by limestone dust or raw cement, making a 5-bin pull. Imported granite had to be added to the base to meet the fractured-face that warr

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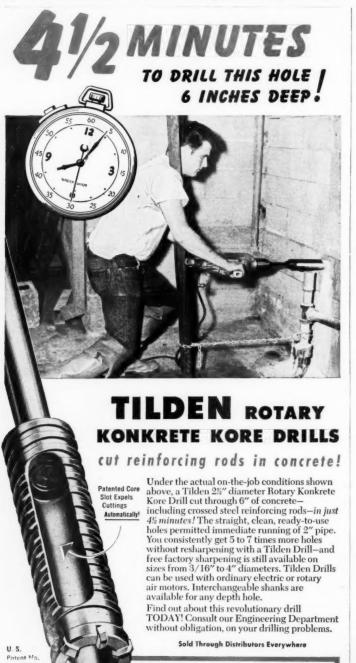
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Plainfield, New Jersey density had to be 100 per cent of modified Proctor.

The job was so unusually precise that visiting contractors were warned, prior to placing their bids, that the specifications meant what they said, and Stillman realized from the start that it would be a tough one to build. But even with a contract price of \$10 per ton for asphaltic concrete, Western Paving Construction Co. failed to bid on another major extention at Lowry.

Western's contract covered all principal parking-apron improvements for 1952, and included about 150,000 cubic yards of grading; 60,000 tons of subbase; 40,000 tons of special select base; and 30,000 tons of asphaltic-concrete pavement. The work was localized on three parking apron areas and a short 200-foot taxiway near the administrative center of the base. Started March 15, 1952, the project was expected to be complete at least before the main winter snows set in. Completion was set for September 28.

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Earthwork Subbed to Kiewit

All earthwork, along with the production and installation of a 10-inch granular base course of 2½-inch-minus material, was subcontracted to Peter Kiewit Sons' Co. of Omaha and Denver. The Kiewit organization has built Corps of Engineers airports all over the west, and it quickly moved in to do the grading. A fleet of Caterpillar DW20's was used for the earthwork, and to develop the required 100 per cent modified Proctor densities, a 60-ton Southwest compaction roller was brought in.

As Kiewit's crews dug into the earthwork, however, the presence of objectionable material in the subgrade caused extra work, because these places had to be dug out and wasted. The eventual overrun from this work brought the grading yardage up to 150,000 from 115,000 cubic yards, and to some extent at least, delayed the work.

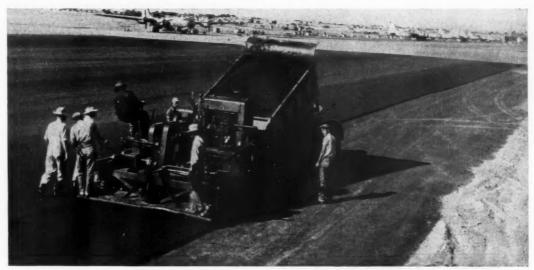
The 10-inch base course which was placed under the Kiewit sub-contract was a good granular material up to about 2½ inches in size. It, too, was compacted by the Southwest compaction roller to develop its density.

Select Base is Harder

Not so easy was the installation of a select 6-inch base course of 1inch-minus crushed rock. This base course lies over the 10-inch granular base, and directly under the asphaltic concrete. It was not easy to produce.

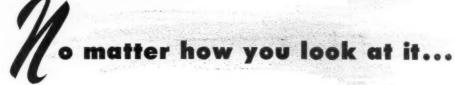
In the belief that a 75 per cent fractured surface could be produced by taking the sand out of pit-run (Continued on next page)

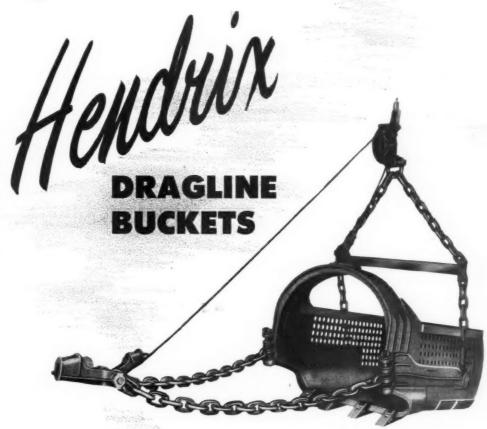




Workmen lay asphaltic concrete on one of the apron strips with the aid of a Barber-Greene Tamping-Leveling Finisher.

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material and crushing the bigger material down, a Cedarapids Master Tandem plant was set up near Morrison, Colo., in a pit containing a high percentage of oversize boulders. To help reduce these larger stones, a 22 x 36 jaw crusher was put in ahead of the Master Tandem.

It was soon apparent that the material would not meet the specifications. To correct the difficulty, fractured granite from a mountain slide was added at the pit, and in addition, fine manufactured sand was brought in to Lowry Field and added to the windrow. Since all of this material had a fractured face, it brought the percentage up to acceptable limits.

The material was then sized by a Wood windrow sizer, to get the right amount installed. A Model 36 Wood Roadmixer was also brought in to make a pass through this select base material, adding the necessary water to bring its moisture content up to approximately 7 per cent. According to Project Manager Stillman, there little doubt that the excellent blending and mixing job this machine performed was responsible for getting acceptable densities later on, for after the Wood Roadmixer had finished its pass, No. 12 Caterpillar motor graders cut the material out in 2-inch lifts and spread it across the area. Working directly behind the motor graders were two Bros rubber-tire rollers pulled by a Mc-Cormick-Deering W9 and a Farmall M tractor. Several steel-wheel rollers were also used, including two 3-wheel 12-ton Buffalo Springfields and a 12-ton tandem Huber.

The original specifications, incidentally, had set up a steel-wheel roller hour for every 100 square yards of base course. It would have required 12 rollers to meet that provision. The provision was relaxed after the matter was taken to Omaha—where it turned out to be a mistake in the specifications—and Western Paving was simply held accountable for meeting results and densities in this item from that point on. At the time there were few 3-wheel rollers in the Denver area.

The select base was finished to fine tolerance and primed about 48 hours ahead of paving by an application of MC-1, 0.3 gallon per square yard, applied at 175 degrees F by a Littleford distributor.

Hot-Mix Mineral Difficulty, Too

There was considerable difficulty producing the mineral aggregate for the plant-mix, too, because gradation and soundness requirements were such that extremely precise control was necessary in the manufacturing process. Specifications called for the following gradation limits and other characteristics:

	Percent	Passing
Screen Size	Binder Course	Surface Course
	100	100
1-inch	76-100	
14-inch 1/2-inch	64-82	89-100 78-90
36-inch	38-54	69-83 55-70
No. 4 No. 10	25-41	42-56
No. 20		30-43
No. 40	12-23	22-33
No. 80	7-16	14-22
No. 209	4-8	4-7
ohaltie Ce-	4-6 per cent	5-61/2 per cent



Harold Stillman, Project Manager on the Lowry Air Force Base paving job; Major R. A. Ralston, Corps of Engineers; Chief Inspector A. F. Dickey, Corps of Engineers; R. W. Cummins, General Superintendent; and Technician W. J. Horn of the Corps of Engineers.

Marshall stability for both courses was specified at 1,000 plus, and Marshall flow for both courses was set at 16 or less. The percentage of voids in the binder course was set at 3 to 5; at 5 to 7 on the surface course. Percentage of voids filled with asphalt was set at 75 to 82 on the binder course; 65 to 72 on the surface course.

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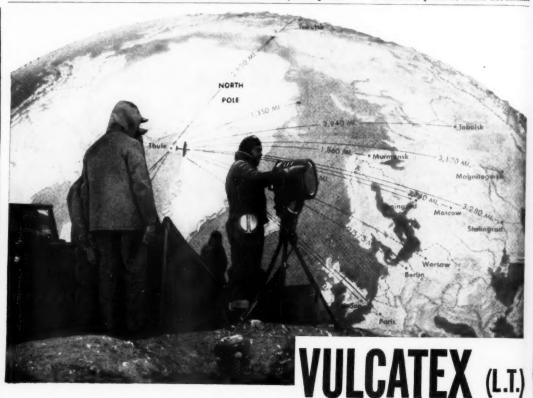
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The gradation tolerances were somewhat misleading, however, because in another part of the specifications there was a provision holding the gradations "right down the middle" with tolerances all 5 per cent or less plus or minus. This provision made the manufacturing job precise indeed.

Again the Kiewit organization was called in, this time to manufacture the mineral aggregate and deliver it to Western's hot plant in Denver. The material was produced at Kiewit's plant at Table Mountain



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Through the announcement of the Defense department the public now knows about operation "Blue Jay" only 900 miles from the North Pole. This modern engineering miracle is a full scale year round bomber base. Temperatures of minus 60° F are common and winds drive rain or snow against the structures at 150 miles per hour. In such cold even rubber and steel become brittle.

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Operation "Blue Jay" in spite of the inhuman cold is now described

In a good basalt deposit where soundness was good and where the faces would be all fractured when the crushers got through. Two sizes of aggregate were produced, with finer sand added later on.

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One of the most troublesome problems on the project soon cropped up, because the fines in the mix contained slightly more than the allowable 3 per cent of 0.02-mm material which Corps of Engineers studies have shown to cause base failures. It was impossible to remove this objectionable material without also getting rid of enough of the 80mesh fines to bring that percentage under allowable limits. The problem has been handled by leaving the basalt rock dust in the aggregate, and adding 40-mesh sand tailings from the Brannan Sand & Gravel Co. plant at Denver. But the stockniles around the hot plant had been so costly to produce that they could

not be used on local commercial work, which Western Paving Construction Co. often does, and the hot plant had to sit idle for several months while enough grade was built to start mixing this material through.

And more trouble: Western has traditionally had an asphalt supply contract with Frontier Refining Co. at Cheyenne. Frontier and most other refining companies in the area could not meet the stringent 100 per cent naphtha spot test. Empire Petroleum Co. of Denver agreed to produce the material on special order.

If it seems at this point that the Corps of Engineers and its specifications are being criticized, this is not the intention. Rather, the purpose of this article is to point up the practical difficulty of creating bases and pavements for air terminals which have to accommodate the

planes of tomorrow. Research by the Corps of Engineers and many other agencies has fairly well shown beyond a doubt that some of the hit or miss pavements of other years will not stand today's wheel loads, blast temperatures, blast velocities, and fuel spillage. It takes a higher-type pavement, and the contractors who build those pavements had better read the fine print in the specifications.

Asphalt Plant Setup

The asphalt plant was a 4,000-pound Standard batch plant, with an oversize 7 x 30-foot dryer fired by Hopkins burners. It was set up along the South Platte River bottomlands near the 8th Avenue Viaduct in Denver, about 8 miles deadhaul distance from the job. This distance, coupled with city traffic conditions, made a minimum of 14 batch trucks necessary.

Two sizes of aggregate and two sizes of sand were stockpiled at the plant over feeder tunnels. Since the fine material will bridge over quickly if too much is shoved in by the D8 and D6 feeder dozers, the feeders had to be equipped with special Syntron vibrators to make the feed more positive. The asphalt was stored in two 8,000 and one 6,000-gallon steel tank, heated by steam coils circulating from a Cleaver-Brooks automatic steam generator. This boiler also heated the No. 6 fuel oil which fired the Hopkins burners, heated the steam jacketing on the asphalt lines, heated the hot-pot insulation, and operated the pugmill rams.

Auxiliary equipment around the plant included a Caterpillar D318 which turned the dryer, an International UD-24 diesel-electric generating set for power, a Caterpillar D-13000 motor for operating the dust collector, and a Caterpillar D17000 engine which turned the pugmill and generated power for the blower of the Hopkins burner.

The asphalt was weighed, along with the re-screened mineral aggregates. Twenty pounds of mineral dust was added to each batch, and the rented batch trucks took from 4 to 6 batches per load on their trips from the hot-mix setup out to Lowry Air Force Base. Normal production of this plant was about 125 tons per hour, and the Lowry mix was turned out at about 100 tons an hour.

The plant-mix asphaltic concrete left the plant at a mix temperature close to 275 degrees, and arrived at the laydown site with a loss of only 15 to 25 degrees. It was placed in 10-foot strips by a Barber-Greene Tamping-Leveling Finisher. The laydown process called for two 2-inch compacted courses, which of course required heavy rolling to develop the Marshall 98 per cent density requirement.

Both 12-ton 3-wheel Buffalo-

Both 12-ton 3-wheel Buffalo-Springfield and 12-ton Huber tandem machines were used. In addition, a Bros rubber-tire roller pulled by a small Farmall traccor or a truck helped to develop density and improve the surface texture.

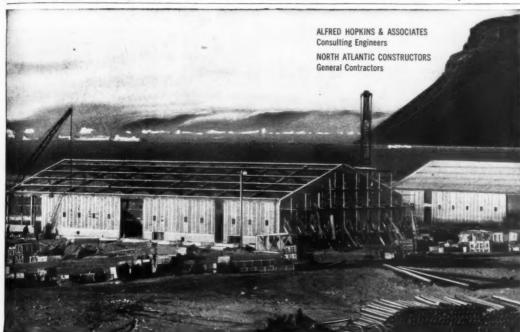
To key in the asphaltic concrete to previously placed portland-cement concrete apron pavement, considerable concrete sawing had to be done. Two-inch cuts were made along the sides of the keyways—they are about 6 feet wide—and the center was gouged out by pneumatic guns and moil points.

The finished asphaltic concrete pavement will accommodate parked airplanes which use Lowry Air Force Base, and Corps of Engineers technicians expect the pavement to stand up better with less maintenance cost than was possible with previous pavement designs.

Lowry an Important Airbase

Often called the home of the Air Force armorer, Lowry Air Force Base today is a bustling installation playing an ever-increasing part in the tough technical training program of the Air Training Command. It specializes in training officers and airmen in the technical specialties needed to keep USAF planes flying all over the world. Lowry first came into existence in 1937, and was

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The field today conducts fire fighting and crash rescue, intelligence career guidance, comptroller, guided missiles, supply, armament and photography training, and is an aircraft gunnery center. The 3415th Gunnery Group today is using B-29 and F-51 aircraft to train young airmen as gunners for medium bombardment planes.

Brig. Gen. John T. Sprague, Base Commander, is a veteran commander of Air Force training bases and has a background of a quarter century of flying. He is a Command Pilot, Combat Observer, and Air Observer. He served with the Ninth Air Force during World War II.

Field Personnel

The Denver area office of the Corps of Engineers is under command of Lt. Col. Robert Trout, and field operations are under Resident Engineer Hermann Ullrich.

Western Paving Construction Co.'s work was under the direction of Project Manager Harold Stillman, with R. W. Cummins as General Superintendent. Walter Coe was Laydown Foreman and Delbert Vaughn was in charge at the asphalt plant.

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Dump-Body News

The Marion Metal Products Ca, Marion, Ohio, manufacturers of dump bodies and hydraulic hoists, has introduced a new company publication—Dump Body Business. The new publication is designed to fill the need for specialized news coverage of the dump-body and hoist field.

It is being circulated to truck dealers, contractors, and others interested in dump bodies, and will appear every month. The first issue of the magazine was published in January.

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J. H. King for Galion

After 27 years as Sales Representative in central Ohio for The Galion Iron Works & Mfg. Co., Galion, Ohio, Lewis C. Lobb has retired. He is succeeded by Joseph H. King, who will handle the company's motor graders and rollers in this territory. Mr. King, who spent a year with Galion before his wartime military service, returned to the company in 1950.



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Garden State Parkway: **First Annual Report**

"1952, Year of Decision" is the New Jersey Authority's slogan for its first annual report on the Garden State Parkway. The 20-page booklet, complete with photographs and a map of the Parkway, describes its progress from the creation of the New Jersey Highway Authority in 1952 (though enabling legislation dates back to 1945), through the various stages of financing, taking of bids, and partial construction. It is hoped to open the entire 165-mile Parkway to traffic in 1954.

The Authority is laying special emphasis on safety, and a speed limit of 50 miles per hour is an important means to this end. Other safety measures include restrictions on entrance to and exit from driving lanes, and on roadside use for commercial or residential purposes; safe separation of opposing streams of traffic; "singing safety lanes"; elimination of steep grades and vertical curves; ample stabilized shoulders to allow disabled vehicles to be disengaged from the rest of the traffic; acceleration and deceleration areas near interchanges; and varied design to reduce the hypnotic effect on drivers of long monotonous stretches of road.

The Annual Report, which may be obtained by writing to the New Jersey Highway Authority, 1035 Parkway Ave., Trenton, N. J., includes a balance sheet and a list of banks participating in temporary loan agreements.

U. S. Rubber Appoints Three

Three personnel appointments were recently made by United States Rubber Co., New York, N. Y.

John F. Arthur, former District Manager of the San Francisco, Calif., branch, was named new Manager of U. S. Truck Tire Sales, and will establish his headquarters in Rockefeller Center, New York City. Richard M. Payson, who was for-merly Manager of Farm Market Sales, succeeds Mr. Arthur as District Manager in San Francisco. John W. Carpenter is the new District Manager of the Denver, Colo., branch. He was formerly District Manager of the Fisk-Gillette Division in New York.

A New Earth-Moving Unit

wagon and scraper is available from The Heil Co., 3003 W. Montana Ave., Milwaukee 1, Wis. The unit, which is powered by a 200-hp Cummins diesel engine, has hydraulic steer-

The 20-cubic-yard dump wagon has clamshell-type doors. A single cable from the power-control unit pulls wagon doors to their open position and up alongside the hopper. The scraper has a 3-piece replaceable blade. According to the manufacturer 60 per cent of the over-all weight is on the drive wheels so that drawbar pull is increased.

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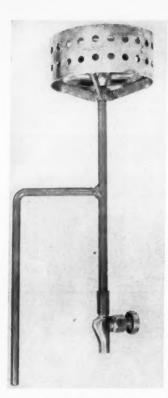


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For further information write to the company, or use the Request Card at page 18. Circle No. 768.

Self-Powered Earth Drills

A line of horizontal and vertical self-powered auger-type earth drills is shown in a folder from the Cardox Corp., 307 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago 1, Ill. The Cardox-Hardsocg drills are trailer mounted.

Horizontal drills are made in a standard gasoline-powered model, an electric unit, and a self-propelled model. Vertical drills come in a standard and a heavy-duty model, with a choice of gasoline or electric power in either machine.

A tractor-mounted vertical model is also shown. Rotation power comes from the tractor's power shaft.

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Two New Howe Managers

The Howe Scale Co., Rutland, Vt., has appointed Gale P. Foster Manager of the Cleveland, Ohio, branch. Recently released from active duty with the U. S. Air Force in Alaska, he is making his headquarters at 1251 W. 3rd. St., Cleveland 13.

Another Howe Co. appointment is that of Joseph G. Haegele, Jr., who becomes Manager of the Kansas City, Mo., branch with his office at 1312-14 St. Louis Ave., Kansas City 8, Mo. He was formerly Sales Representative at the St. Louis branch.

Educates in Job Safety

"People cause accidents." This plain statement of fact comes from Peter Kiewit Sons' Co., contractor, Omaha, Neb. It is possible to gage what a piece of equipment will do, according to its specifications, but when it comes to human beings it's another story altogether. The only solution, says W. F. Koeppen, of Kiewit, is to educate personnel to prevent accidents.

Various things have to be taken into consideration, such as physical handicaps, lack of emotional control, and mental limitations. If the supervisor knows each worker's peculiarities, he should be able to assign a job to him which he is well able to perform. The supervisor's responsibilities should include not only the placing of the right person in the right job, but the development of good work habits, the discouragement of carelessness and dangerous short cuts, the encouragement of attention to the job in hand, and reminders about the employee's own safety and that of others.

Greater production with fewer accidents, concludes Mr. Koeppen, depends on such considerations.

Battery Additive

A battery additive for lead-acid storage batteries is made by Pioneers, Inc., 2411 Grove St., Oakland, Calif. According to the manufacturer the additive called Battery AD-X2 will reduce sulfation and encourage the redisposition of shed materials. It is also said to decrease loss of water, increase speed of charging, and normally increase the capacity of mechanically sound sulfated batteries.

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A new 100-ton compaction roller is announced by Southwest Welding & Mfg. Co., 3201 W. Mission Road, Alhambra, Calif. The unit has four weight boxes and rolls on 44-ply 21.00 x 25 tires with a rated load per tire of 53,000 pounds. Each box can independently rise and fall 12 inches to follow uneven ground. The steel tubing yoke is constructed in sections to permit the use of three to six weight boxes. Inside beams are full-circle welded to the yoke. This is said to prevent torsional weaving and to simplify re-arrangement of



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India's Bokaro Power Plant Is Inaugurated

The first unit in Prime Minister Nehru's 5-year plan for the betterment of India has been completed on schedule. On February 21, Mr. Nehru inaugurated the huge new Bokaro Steam Power Plant (see C. & E., Nov., 1952, pg. 43). This first portion of India's \$140,000,000 multipurpose power system, modeled after our own TVA, was designed and constructed by The Kuljian Corp., Philadelphia, Pa., at a cost of \$35,000,000. At the Prime Minister's insistence, Harry A. Kuljian, President of the company, flew to India to be present at the inauguration ceremony.

The Bokaro Power Plant is linked to a series of dams in a gigantic irrigation, power, and flood-control project covering the 330-mile-long Damodar Valley in eastern India. The program, when completed, will end disastrous floods in the thickly populated valley, supply water from eight major storage dams for the irrigation of more than 1,000,000 acres, and furnish nearly 500,000 kw of hydro and steam electric power for eastern India's industries.

The Bokaro project involves three parts: the steam-power station itself; the Konar dam 12 miles from the plant, which will furnish cooling water; and a total of 477 miles of transmission lines and substations. An aerial conveyor will supply 700,000 tons of coal a year from the nearby Bermo strip coalfields. Of the four generating units comprising the main plant, only the first is now in operation; the rest will follow at 3-month intervals.

Eleven Indian engineers, trained in this country by Kuljian and General Electric Co. (which built three turbine generator units and eleven power transformers for the plant) will take over full-time operation within one year from the opening of the plant. This will follow the first year's operation under the supervision of Kuljian engineers.

Torque-Converter Drives

A bulletin on truck-type 3-stage hydraulic torque-converter drives is available from the Twin Disc Clutch Co., Hydraulic Division, Rockford, Ill. It describes application to onhighway and off-highway units, and explains the advantages of highest torque multiplication for pulling and torque-converter braking.

Two models are offered. Both provide the converter-braking feature, which forces the truck's driving wheels to drive the turbine assembly on down grades. The Model DF converter is used over variable terain where converter drive and braking can be utilized on steep grades and direct drive can be used on long straight runs. Model CF is made for short hauling operations, involving constant climbing and descending, loaded and empty.

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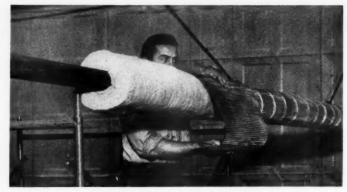
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Circular Brush Saw

A new motor-powered circular brush saw is announced by Williams & Hussey Machine Corp., Milford, N. H. The Wilton, which is powered by a 2-cycle 1.2-hp motor, comes with an 8 or 10-inch blade. It operates on a gasoline and oil mixture. The circular blade cuts vines, brush, saplings, and any stems up to 4 inches. On light brush it may be swung like a scythe. The unit weighs less than 30 pounds and is shoulderslung on a broad web strap to distribute its weight.

The saw blade is fixed at a 10-degree angle to permit horizontal close-to-the-ground cutting. It also swings upward for vertical cutting while the motor remains in a level position.

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Aerowrap insulates both hot and cold pipes

Pipe Insulation Wraps

A new Fiberglas wrap-around pipe insulation for hot and cold pipes of all sizes is made by Owens-Corning Fiberglas Corp., Nicholas Bldg., Toledo, Ohio. Known as Aerowrap, it is said to be soft and resilient and to have a high thermal efficiency.

It is available in 100-foot rolls, 36 inches wide and ¾ inch thick. According to the manufacturer, the insulation may be cut with shears,

knife, or paper cutter. It may be used on pipes with temperatures ranging from sub-zero to 600 degrees F and may be applied in various degrees of thickness by repeated wrapping.

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Tractor-Mounted Spreader

A spreader that attaches to the front end of a tractor is described in a folder from Tractor Spreader Co., Hasbrouck Heights, N. J.

The Jersey spreader lays 20 tons per minute of non-bulking materials such as broken stone and crushed gravel. The maximum depth of spread of the unit is 12 inches and the maximum width 10 to 13 feet.

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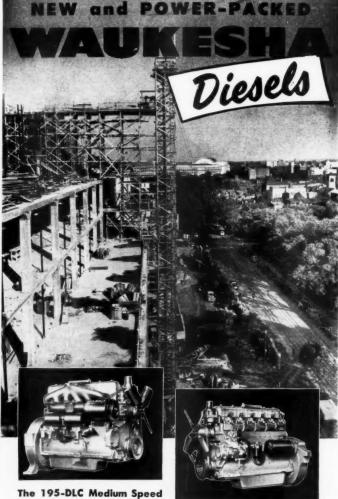
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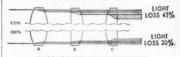


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Austin, Texas, Constructs River Bridge by Contract To Ease Traffic Problem on Streets of Capital

• DESPITE the shortage of steel and the problem of building concrete piers to bedrock in the bottom of Texas' Colorado River, the City of Austin went ahead last year with the construction of a new \$513,972 structure. The new bridge, a vehicle and pedestrian structure, connects Guadalupe and Lavaca Streets with South 1st Street and eases the traffic problem on the streets of the capital city. Austin Bridge Co. of Dallas had the contract.

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Work started on May 15, 1952, and in typical Austin Bridge Co. fashion, the piers progressed rapidly, in spite of the fact that they had to be set on bedrock below the river bottom, and in some cases, many feet below the water surface. Piers were completed at the rate of one in three weeks. And that rate of progress included driving the cofferdam, mucking out, bracing, building the pier, and pulling the piles for re-use on the next pier.

Bridge Design

The new bridge was designed for H20-S16-44 loading, and is a plate-deck-girder type of structure. Its total length is 811 feet 11½ inches, divided up into spans measuring 105, 105, 120, 150, 150, 120, and 56 feet. The abutments are concrete, and the piers are octagonal-shaped reinforced-concrete shafts capped with a reinforced-concrete beam. The bridge is 50 feet wide over-all, and includes a 5-foot sidewalk on each side. The concrete deck, which rests on four longitudinal steel girders 6 feet 4 inches deep, is 9¼ inches thick.

Top elevation of the structure is 457.97, while the normal water surface of the Colorado River is 419.9. The Colorado is not a navigable stream at Austin, and farther up is controlled by a system of storage reservoirs and hydroelectric works, built under the Colorado River Authority within the framework of the Texas state government.

Major quantities in the new structure included 7,500 cubic yards of channel excavation; 2,535 cubic yards of unclassified structural excavation; 1,175 cubic yards of excavation in abutments; 2,771 cubic yards of Class A concrete in abutments, piers, and retaining walls; and 858 cubic yards of Class A concrete in the superstructures. Reinforcing steel totaled 396,291 pounds, and structural steel. 1,681,342 pounds.

Pier Work Moves Fast

Construction of the several piers moved rapidly on a well organized schedule, and what could have been a troublesome job went along without any outward difficulty.

Each pier is bedded 4 feet deep in the flat-ledge limestone lying across the stream bottom. The foundation concrete consists of a chunk of reinforced concrete 49 feet long, 10 feet wide, and 4 feet thick. To gouge the hole for this concrete chunk required good planning, good equipment, and sound methods.

Before a pier was built, the area around its outline was cofferdammed by driving Carnegie steel sheet piles around the enclosure to give about 2½ feet of working room all around

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From the top of one of the completed concrete pier caps, we look toward Austin on the other side of the river. A P&H 655-A crane sets steel sheet pilling for a cofferdam.



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the concrete work. Since the piles had to be re-used at least 6 times, care was needed to prevent the tops and bottoms from brooming or bending excessively. A P&H Model 655 crane, equipped with a 65-foot boom, was used to set and drive this sheeting, and a No. 6 McKiernan-Terry pile hammer was chosen instead of a larger-sized hammer, which might have bent the piles. Only one section was set and driven at a time. The boiler which furnished steam was a small 60-hp upright type.

When the steel sheet piles were in, excavation of the muck inside began. This muck was generally composed of dirt and river sand down to the rock line, and could be clammed out easily by a 1½-yard Owens bucket on the 655-A.

The excavation of bedrock down to the 4-foot line was something of a problem, because the white material was shot through with fissures and slip planes which tended to absorb the force of a powder explosion without breaking the rock. A 365cfm Gardner-Denver compressor was brought in, along with four jackhammers and ordinary rock bits, to sink the holes. Hole centers soon settled down to a 3-foot square pattern, and although the material drilled easily, experts from Hercules Powder Co. were called in to make suggestions about loading.

The proximity of the steel cofferdam and several sets of 15½-inch steel wales nearby prevented unusually heavy loading, and light loading seemed ineffective. The best plan was to make a 6-hole burn out of the center, and by using No. 2 and No. 6 delays toward the outside, to break the rock into the center portion. Some of the rock came out in big chunks nevertheless.

When the inside of the cofferdam was cleaned down to final grade in rock, the hole was dried up by a 6-inch Jaeger and two 4-inch Worthington pumps, which had sufficient capacity even for the building of the river piers. The inside steel brace rings for the cofferdam, designed to prevent its collapse under its exterior load, were spaced 3½, 9½, and 14½ feet from final rock grade. All the piers rest at about the same level, since the limestone ledge underneath lies practically flat.

The construction of the concrete portion of a pier was arranged in three steps: placing the base in rock, erecting the three 26-foot columns in one pour, and, as a final step, pouring the 8-foot cap. Construction of the footing slab was the simplest of the three, because truck-mixed concrete from Transit Mix, Inc., a commercial firm in Austin, arrived on the job and was transferred directly to the point of placement. Even in the case of the river piers, earth ramps could be built out to support the crane and mixer trucks.

The three octagonal-shaped columns were poured at one time, in wooden forms specially built and braced so they could be re-used. The facing for these forms was plywood, and heavy exterior studs and wales prevented movement after the forms were closed up and checked. These forms were securely tied in



Cement finishers put the rubbed surface on a concrete pier cap for the bridge over the Colorado River at Austin, Texas. Baams supporting the cap are partly shown in the lower portion of the picture.

a plumb position by cables anchored to deadmen nearby. Column forms were filled slowly, about 2 feet at a time, by three truck mixers shuttling back and forth between the bridge and the mixing plant. A pneumatic vibrator was used with the Gardner-Denver compressor to consolidate the fresh material.

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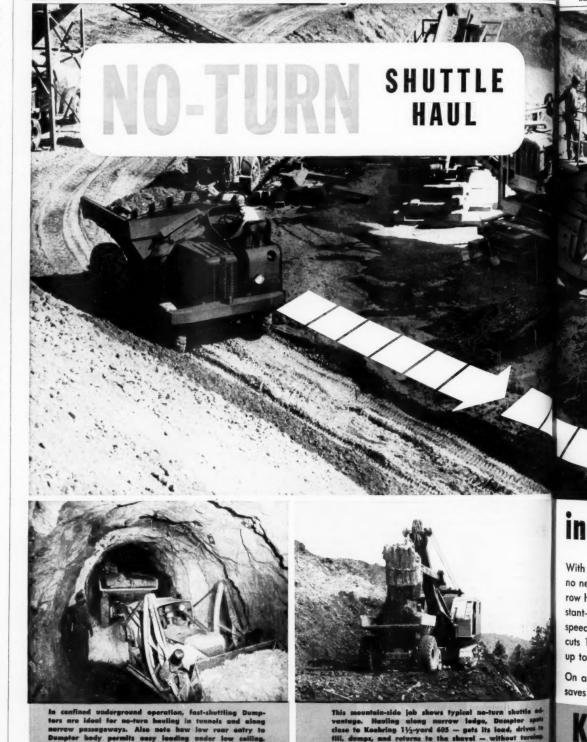
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The heavy 8-foot top cap was supported by a set of 10-inch steel I-beams, carried on special tie bolts poured into the concrete at the top of the columns. The beam forms rested on these steel members, and when the concrete had been in place 14 days, the forms could be stripped from underneath. Side forms were stripped sooner by loosening the Dayton form ties, and the cap concrete as well as all exposed masonry was dressed to fine architectural specifications by hand rubbing. Two men worked full time dressing the concrete as it was stripped. The 5-



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The job was small but efficient, with a minimum outlay of equipment and not too many men. There was plenty of time to finish the piers without any danger of high water on the river, due to all the control works above. All the piers were finished by the time steel arrived at the site.

Austin Bridge Co. is well known in Texas for bridge-construction feats all over the state. At the same time as the Colorado River bridge, the company had under construction several structures, including the long Canadian River bridge at Canadian, Texas. The Galveston Causeway was an Austin Bridge Co. job. On the same day, about June 1, 1952, a barge got loose and knocked out one



Austin Bridge Co.'s Superintendent T. H.
Deavers (left) discusses the job with
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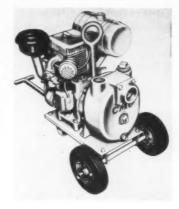
span of the Galveston bridge, while 800 miles away an overloaded truck was ruining an inshore span of the old bridge at Canadian, which was being replaced by the new structure the company was building.

Personnel

The bridge at Austin was designed by Julian Montgomery, Consulting Engineer, and its construction was supervised by the City's Department of Public Works, which is under the direction of C. G. Levander. Field engineering was under the supervision of Assistant Director of Public Works Noble Latson, and the Resident Engineer was a well known retired former District Engineer of the Texas Highway Department, M. C. Welborn.

T. H. Deavers, General Superintendent, headed up the Austin Bridge Co. field personnel, under the general supervision of President Charles R. Moore and Vice President John B. Templeton.

Any spare clothes in your closet? The spring collection by the American Relief for Korea gets under way in April—see what you can give.



Self-Priming Pump

A new portable self-priming centrifugal pump is announced by the Construction Machinery Co., Waterloo, Iowa. The pump is available in four sizes and seven models with sizes ranging from 1½ feet through 4 feet. All models are powered by air-cooled engines.

The Dual-Prime pump has dual volutes and its case is of the one-piece self-cleaning type. At the point where the rotating impeller shaft enters the pump case, a rotary-shaft seal is used in place of a conventional stuffing box. A hydraulic seal at the rim of the impeller provides protection against abrasive particles.

The manufacturer states that, compared with previous models, the parts used in the pump have been reduced by about 50 per cent and the weight by an average of 25 per cent.

For further information write to the company, or use the Request Card at page 18. Circle No. 776.

On-the-Job Movie by Dravo

A sound-color film recently produced by Dravo Corp., Pittsburgh, Pa., is the story of how the construction company integrates its many activities. Emphasis is put on engineering, the connecting link between Dravo's four main divisions and five subsidiaries.

Entitled "Portrait of an Enterprise," this 16-mm movie runs for 30 minutes. On the job scenes of heavy-construction projects such as river locks, dams and bridges are shown. Riverboat and barge construction are included, together with some sequences showing launchings and the operation of large ore-unloaders. Still others highlight the production and distribution of river sand and gravel, the construction of a central-station power plant, and a compressor station for a gas-transmission line.

The film may be obtained without charge by writing to the Advertising Dept., Dravo Corp., Neville Island, Pittsburgh 25, Pa.

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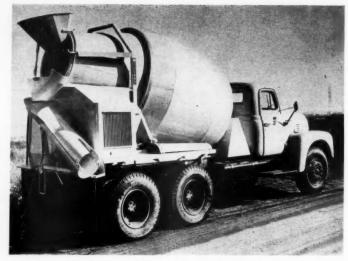
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Concrete Mixer Has Rear-Mounted Engine

A new 6 to 71/2-cubic-yard concrete mixer has been announced by Willard Concrete Machinery Sales Co., 11700 Wright Road, Lynwood, Calif. The engine that powers the drum has been mounted in the rear and the weight of the concrete is thrown forward to equalize axle loads. This is said to allow greater payloads while still maintaining legal distribution of the weight on the truck's axles.

The mixer is suitable for mounting on a 10-wheel truck with 175-inch wheelbase. A transverse-mounted. 93-hp Ford OHV Industrial 6 powers the drum through a Ford transmission. Over-all gear ratio is 281 to 1.

The drum is stiffened by two overlapping mixing spirals. The folding chute is made of 1/8-inch steel and extends 8 feet 6 inches from the



The engine of Willard's new concrete mixer is mounted in the rear to throw the weight of the concrete forward.

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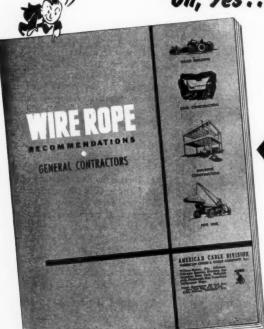
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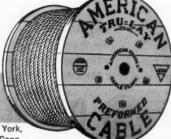


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Truck Association Appoints

H. A. Mike Flanakin, Acting Director of the Engineering Experiment Station at Louisiana State University, has been appointed Highway Engineer for the American Trucking Associations, Inc., Washington, D. C.

Mr. Flanakin's career in highway engineering dates back to 1927. In 1936 he and three engineers set up the Traffic and Planning Division of the Louisiana Highway Department -a division that he later directed. By 1941, Mr. Flanakin was State Planning Engineer for Louisiana. Following his service in that post, and again in 1946-47 after his release from the Army, he was Area Director for the National Housing Agency in Dallas, Texas.

Mr. Flanakin was an Associate Professor of Engineering at LSU from 1947 to 1951, when he became Acting Director of the Engineering Experiment Station. In this position he has been in charge of all engineering extension services, short courses, and conferences dealing with highway engineering at the University. He has coordinated all research activities of the engineering faculty, and has himself worked as a consultant to several municipalities on traffic and city-planning problems.

Tractor-Mounted Trencher

A booklet on a tractor-mounted trencher is offered by Parsons Co., Newton. Iowa, a subsidiary of Koehring Co., Milwaukee, Wis. The 250 Trenchliner has a maximum digging capacity that is 121/2 feet deep and 16 to 42 inches wide. It has a range of 30 digging feeds, 3 bucket-line and conveyor-belt speeds, and 4 travel speeds.

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Floodlight Power Unit

A trailer-mounted floodlight and power unit is made by Winpower Mfg. Co., Newton, Iowa. It has four 1,000-watt 80,000-candlepower floodlights. The standards telescope to a height of 81/2 feet and the lights swing 180 degrees vertically and 360 degrees horizontally. There is a separate fused switch for each light.

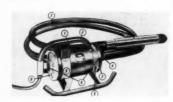
The Nite-Hawk model NH5-W is powered by a Wisconsin VF-4 engine and has a 115-volt or 115 to 230volt ac generator. For small tools and extension lights there are two plug-in duplex receptacles and outlets on the control panel. Also on the panel are a voltmeter, ammeter and rheostat to control voltage and an automatic circuit breaker.

The pneumatic-tired trailer has a front caster wheel that retracts in travel.

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New Electric Vibrator

A new electric concrete vibrator has been added to the Wyco line made by Wyzenbeek & Staff, Inc., 223 N. California Ave., Chicago 12, The 2-hp unit works on 110 volts ac and dc. It weighs 46 pounds.



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Allis-Chalmers Appoints

Myron W. Rhoten succeeds George A. Gillespie as Territory Sales Manager for the European area, Tractor Division, Allis-Chalmers Mfg. Co., Milwaukee, Wis. He will make his headquarters in Paris, France

Mr. Rhoten joined Allis-Chalmers at Sioux City, Iowa, in 1938, and has served the company in various capacities. Prior to his present appointment he was Export Service Manager at the home office in Milwaukee. Clyde Crozier, a member of Mr. Rhoten's staff since 1941, succeeds him in that position.

The recently created post of Export Sales Manager, Tractor Division, is being filled by Walter A. Hebeler, who has been special Representative for the Tractor Division since 1950. Mr. Hebeler has served Allis-Chalmers since 1933.



The old method of fastening Ultralite, a glass fiber insulation duct liner, to sheet metal with adhesive "gook" has been supplanted by the use of a new Bostitch wire stapling machine. The round washers that hold the Ultralite in place are tin-smith's roofing buttons. For further information on Ultralite write to Guston-Bacon Mfg. Co., Kansas City 6, Mo., or use the Request Card at page 18. Circle No. 867.



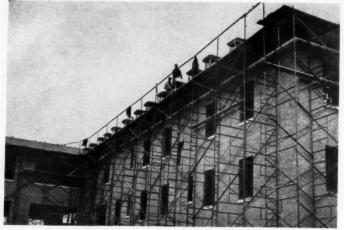
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Preventive Maintenance

A maintenance program for Euclid earth-moving equipment is described in a 20-page booklet published by the company's service department. The heart of the program is a control system which notifies the shop when regular servicing intervals are due, checks on whether or not the work has been done, and provides a record of repair costs, fuel and oil consumption, and equipment availa-

The publication explains the operation of the program, and provides a detailed outline of all points that should be checked at 100 to 4,000 hours of operation. The various forms used in the Euclid maintenance program are also shown.

The booklet, entitled "Euclid's Guide to Preventive Maintenance," states that paper work for the program can be taken care of in a few

minutes a day.

To obtain this literature write to the Euclid Road Machinery Co., 1361 Chardon Rd., Cleveland 17, Ohio, or use the Request Card at page 18. Circle No. 804.

Safety Grating Selector

A device that helps select a safety grating for a specific steel-flooring load-span condition is available from the A. O. Smith Corp., 3533 N. 27th St., Milwaukee, Wis. The selector will also indicate the deflection of the grating selected under a given load-span condition. In addition, it shows a complete table of panel widths in stock sizes as well as a complete range of weights of all A. O. Smith safety grating. The device works like a slide-rule.

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One of New Hampshire's major highway - reconstruction projects completed this spring was on State Route 28, just east of the capital city of Concord. Carrying most of the traffic from Boston to Lake Winnepesaukee and Crawford Notch in the White Mountains, the road needed both widening and relocating. Traffic counts averaged nearly 1,000 per day, and the old 20-foot built-up tar surface was taxed above its limit.

To speed reconstruction, the New Hampshire State Department of Public Works and Highways awarded two separate contracts last year in this vicinity, separated by a recently constructed traffic circle. Grading work proceeded rapidly through the summer and fall and was just about completed by winter. Bituminous road-mix is being laid this spring.

Reconstructed Road

The new road has a 24-foot pavement. Designed for speeds of 50 mph, it has a maximum curvature of 5 per cent and a maximum gradient of 6 per cent.

The crushed-gravel bituminous road-mix pavement is 3 inches thick and is crowned 3 inches at the The 16 to 24-inch-thick gravel base course extends out to the slope lines. Shoulders are 5 feet wide sloping 18 to 1 from the pavement. In fills up to 10 feet high the sideslopes are 4 to 1; above that the slope is 2 to 1. Slopes are 1 to 2 in rock cuts and 2 to 1 in earth cuts.

A 5-mile section of Route 28 just south of the Route 9 intersection was awarded to G. Rotondi & Sons of Melrose, Mass., as a \$394,000 contract. The contractor began work about the middle of June and completed most of the grading by December.

Because traffic had to be maintained at all times, only work on the relocated sections was done during the busy summer months. This condition made it possible to do the job at an easy pace and with a small amount of equipment.

Clearing was done mostly with three McCulloch one-man chain saws. Local lumber mills took away the timber.

Excavation

Earth excavation totaled 120,000 cubic yards and consisted mostly of silt and gravel. Ledge rock totaled 8,000 yards. Drilling equipment consisted of two Ingersoll-Rand wagon drills and one Worthington 500cfm compressor. Holes were drilled 8 to 10 feet deep and on 4-foot centers. Timken carbide bits were used on hard rock and regular steel bits on ordinary rock. Usually, 150 to 200 holes were loaded for each shot. Atlas 40 per cent dynamite was used with straight caps.

Rock was excavated with a 11/2yard Northwest shovel and hauled by two rear-dump Euclids. A 2yard Lorain 820 worked the earth

A 2-yard Lorain 820 and an 8-yard Sterling dump truck at work on the grading of State oute 28, Melrose, Mass. G. Rotondi & Sons, is the contractor on this stretch.

cuts with five Sterling 8-yard dump trucks. Where conditions permitted, a Caterpillar and a LeTourneau scraper were used. Hauls ranged between 500 and 1,000 feet.

One International TD-14 and two TD-18's worked the fills. Compaction was achieved with the hauling equipment.

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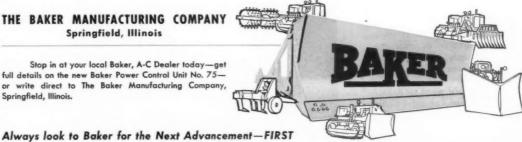
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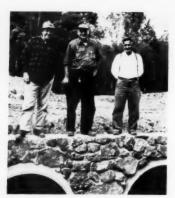
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Joel Hill, Resident Engineer, George Kenyon, Superintendent for G. Rotondi & Sons, and O. Racine, Inspector.

Reconstructed Highway Gets Road-Mix Top

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Gravel for the base course was excavated by a 1½-yard Lorain in a pit near the middle of the job. The 8-yard Sterlings did the hauling. One Allis-Chalmers and one Caterpillar grader shaped the gravel base course. Both equipment and traffic did the compacting.

Road-Mix

To prepare for the class C-2 roadmix, the gravel base was primed with MC-2 cutback, 0.5 gallon per square yard penetration, and 0.25 gallon RC-1 seal. It was applied 26 feet wide, or a foot beyond the pavement on each side, to prevent raveling. Where a reshaping was required this spring, 0.25 gallon was applied, followed by 0.25 gallon seal just before the road-mix was laid.

The 3-inch-thick road-mix was made up of washed crushed gravel mixed with cutback asphalt at the rate of 2 gallons per square yard. Bitumen was first applied at one gallon per square yard, mixed, followed by a shot of 0.65 gallon, and mixed again.

A seal coat of 0.25 gallon was then added and covered with a ½-inch layer of peastone. A fog application of 0.10 gallon finished the job. RC-4 was used for cutback asphalt.

Crushed gravel and peastone was graded as follows:

	Per Cent Passing		
Sieve	Crushed Gravel	Peastone	
11/2-inch	100		
134 "	90-100		
	35- 70		
34 "	0- 5		
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Personnel

George H. Kenyon, Superintendent for G. Rotondi & Sons, the contractor, employed about 40 men.

Joel Hill was Resident Engineer for the New Hampshire Department of Public Works and Highways, which is headed by F. D. Merrill, Commissioner, and J. O. Morton, Chief Engineer.

New Hunt Process Plant

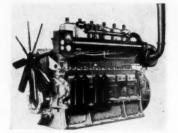
Hunt Process Co., Los Angeles, Calif., manufacturer of concretecuring compounds and protective coatings, announces that Hunt Process compounds are now available at the company's new plant in Ridgeland, Miss. The plant operates under the name of Hunt Process Corp.— Southern.

Turbocharged Diesels

A turbocharged engine having only 426-cubic-inch displacement is offered by the Waukesha Motor Co., Waukesha, Wis. The company has now applied turbochargers to five basic diesel-engine sizes, three of which are for transportation or industrial service. The two largest serve as complete power units.

The primary reason for turbocharging is to obtain higher specific output from an engine. This means a better horsepower to weight ratio, improved mechanical efficiency, and, as a result of the latter, better fuel efficiency. With turbocharge the rating of the company's 147-hp engine becomes 185-hp and a 406-hp unit jumps to 570 hp. All of the units are 6-cylinder 4-stroke cycle units.

All Waukesha turbo-supercharged diesels use American Bosch injection equipment. Turbocharged models



have the usual features of all Waukesha diesels, the manufacturer points out.

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Data on Self-Priming Pump

A bulletin on a 1½-inch selfpriming centrifugal pump has just been issued by Carver Pump Co., Muscatine, Iowa. It illustrates and describes the gasoline-engine-driven portable pump. The pump will handle 6,000 gph at 17 feet suction lift (including friction) against 17 feet total head and will prime in less than 30 seconds with the pump 10 feet above water.

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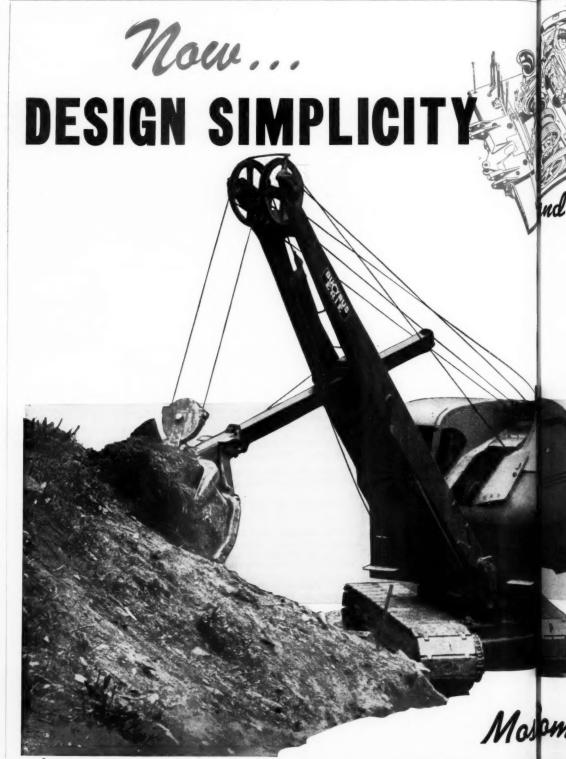
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Directs Design for Martin

Harold Wahl is new Chief Development Engineer of Martin Machine Co., Kewanee, Ill., manufacturer of trailers. He joins Martin after 17 years' experience with Hyster Co., and brings to his new position a varied background in the equipment industry. In his new post with Wahl he will supervise new-product design and trailer improvement.



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A new combination asphalt-barrel heater and storage tank is offered by K. E. McConnaughay, Lafayette, Ind. Asphalt barrels are placed in the heater in an inverted vertical position, with bungs removed, on an open grid. As the asphalt heats and melts, it runs through the grid into the heated storage tank under the grid, where it is kept hot until used.

The Model 24-S-3000 heater accommodates 24 barrels in the upper heating chamber, and 3,000 gallons in the lower storage reservoir. The gasoline-engine-driven bituminous pump is used for recirculating to increase the speed of heating and to discharge the contents of the reservoir into pressure distributors, kettles, and supply tanks.

Other models are made in capacities of 6, 12, and 24 barrels and



The Model 24-S-3000 combination asphalt-barrel heater and storage tank.

with built-in storage tanks that hold 500, 1,000, 2,000, and 3,000 gallons.

For further information write to the company, or use the Request Card at page 18. Circle No. 735.

Portable Compressor

A new 75-cfm portable air compressor has been announced by O. K. Clutch & Machinery Co., Florence St., Columbia, Pa. According to the manufacturer, the new model, the Hornet 75, handles the same work as the company's present 85-cfm model, and approximately twice as much work as the present 60-cfm model. It powers a 45-pound paving breaker, a 45-pound rock drill, two backfill tampers, two clay spades, two riveting guns, or any combination of two small tools.

The single-stage gasoline-powered compressor can be landled by one man. It weighs 1,280 pounds, and can be towed behind a passenger car. The unit is mounted on a 3-wheel trailer with a retractable pivot wheel. It uses a 6-cylinder Chrysler engine which has been rebuilt for compressor service. Three cylinders of the engine are used for air compression and the other three for power.

For further information write to the company, or use the Request Card at page 18. Circle No. 789.

Low-Alloy-Steel Electrodes

A booklet describes the use in welding of new low-alloy-steel electrodes that are said to replace those containing higher amounts of critical alloys. The new electrodes, made by Arcos Corp., 1500 S. 50th St., Philadelphia 43, Pa., contain 1½ to 2 per cent nickel, 0.6 to 1 per cent molybdenum and 0.1 to 0.3 per cent vanadium. They are produced from ordinary low-carbon open-hearth steel wire.

A military specification has been drawn up for the electrodes, calling for three grades based upon strength

To obtain this literature write to the company, or use the Request Card at page 18. Circle No. 740.

Represent Union Wire Rope

Two representatives of Union Wire Rope Corp., Kansas City, Mo., have taken over new posts, one in California, and one in Florida.

Joseph T. Broadus, who has been active in Union Wire Rope since 1937 and who has had much experience in the field, is statewide representative for the company in California, with headquarters at Sacramento. In the southeast, Frank W. McSpadden, working out of Jacksonville, Fla., represents Union Wire Rope in Georgia, North Carolina, and South Carolina.



A new lightweight chain is offered by the Clinton Chain Saw Division, Clinton, Mich. For further information write to the company, or use the Request Card at page 18. Circle No. 713.



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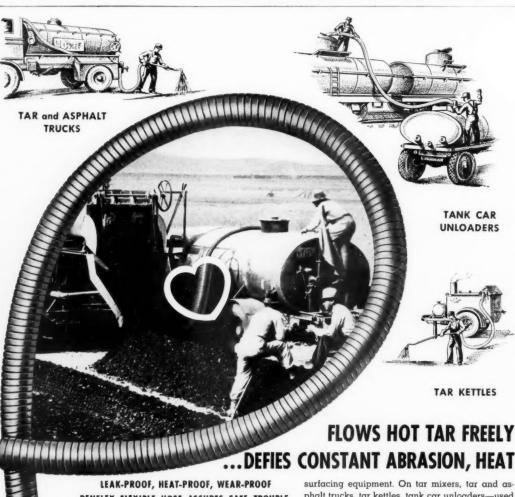
Front-End Loaders

Two new front-end loaders with 4-wheel planetary drive and 4-wheel power steering are announced by Mixermobile Mfg., 8027 N. E. Killingsworth St., Portland 20, Oreg. These Scoopmobiles have power-axle elements hinged together with an oscillating center-pin steering coupling. The coupling allows an oscillating twist to the axles and is said to retain full power on all four wheels in any degree of the turning radius. Power is transmitted to all four wheels through 3:1 planetary gearing. Hinged-coupling steering improves lateral spotting of the loading bucket.

Discharge height of the model LD5 is 8 feet 6 inches and for the LD10 Transmission has 8 speeds 9 feet. forward and back. Diesel power is optional at extra cost. The operator cab of the pneumatic-tired units has



The Model LD5 4-wheel planetary-drive Scoopmobile loads at a gravel pit.



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For further information write to the company, or use the Request Card at page 18. Circle No. 712.

Booklet on Gas Engines

A new 4-page bulletin describing the company's spark-fired gas engines is announced by Nordberg Mfg. Co., Milwaukee 1, Wis. Models FSE-9 and FSE-13 are discussed.

The engines are built in 9 and 13-inch bore sizes and range from 265 to 4,260 hp. The new bulletin describes the thermal efficiency of these engines and presents a heatbalance diagram of the Supairthermal engine, whose efficiency is said to be over 40 per cent. Expansion ratios of 121/2:1 and controlled airfuel ratios by variable inlet-valve timing are features emphasized by the manufacturer.

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The bulletin also contains information on the ignition systems of the engines along with other construction and operating features, Horsepower ratings of the various non - supercharged, supercharged. and intercooled, and Supairthermal spark-fired engines are also given.

To obtain this literature write to the company, or use the Request Card at page 18. Circle No. 754.

Concrete Pipe Co. in Miami

A new plant for Universal Concrete Pipe Co., Columbus, Ohio, opened in the Miami, Fla., area in January. Festivities marked the opening, and visitors inspected the steel-frame building at 1525 Stirling Rd., Dania, where plain pipe from 4 to 24 inches and reinforced pipe from 24 to 156 inches will be manufactured in 8-foot lengths and longer. The new plant will also make Flexicore roof and floor slabs, and other precast concrete products.

W. M. Lafferty is Manager of the Dania branch; Francis Aumand is Office Manager; and John A. Harris is District Sales Manager with offices at Tallahassee, Fla. Sales and production of the new plant are linked with Universal's other Florida plants at Ocala and Tampa and sales offices at Tallahassee and St. Petersburg.



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When confronted with the problem of cutting large stone lintels to size, the crew of Gust G. Larson & Sons, Inc., Rockford, III., contractor, removed the cutting head from their Clipper Model HD masonry saw and placed it on the Clipper convertible 4-wheel cart so that the saw could be operated on elevated tracks. For further information write to Clipper Mfg. Co., 2800 Warwick, Kansas City 8, Mo., or use the Request Card at page 18. Circle No. 868.

Helicopter Survey Test

The Corps of Engineers, U. S. Army, has been running a test to determine the feasibility of triangulation surveys across inaccessible terrain by simultaneous ob-servations on a helicopter from several ground stations. A project of the Engineer Research and Development Laboratories, Fort Belvoir, Va., the Helicopter Survey Test called for the participation of about 30 men, mostly civilians, and extended over a period of some 45 days. Since most of the test was conducted at night, a light suspended below the helicopter was used as an observing target.

Field headquarters for the test were at Casa Grande, Ariz., and the area selected was about 30 miles wide and 100 miles long. Triangulation stations from which observations were made were previously established in the rear and forward areas by the U.S. Coast and Geodetic Survey. By the use of 2-way radio communication and precision survey instruments, ground observers were able to make simultaneous determinations of directions from their stations to the helicopter.

The results of the test-longitudes, latitudes, and elevations-are being checked against previously determined results arrived at by conventional survey methods.

Booklet on Jaw Crushers

A new bulletin on jaw crushers is available from the Universal Engineering Corp., 620 C Ave., N. W. Cedar Rapids, Iowa. It decribes eleven sizes from a 10 x 16-inch to a 30 x 42-inch.

The Universal Series WRB crushers use the Universal overhead eccentric principle which provides two distinct crushing blows with each revolution of the eccentric shaft. Other features include one-piece welded-steel bases, long manganesesteel jaws, accessible lubrication points, and adjustment for product size. Capacities range from 5 to 495 tons per hour depending upon crusher size and stage of reduction.

To obtain this literature write to the company, or use the Request Card at page 18. Circle No. 816.

Diesel Torque Converter

A booklet on its diesel-engine torque converter has been published by the Detroit Diesel Engine Division, General Motors Corp., 13400 W. Outer Drive, Detroit 28, Mich.

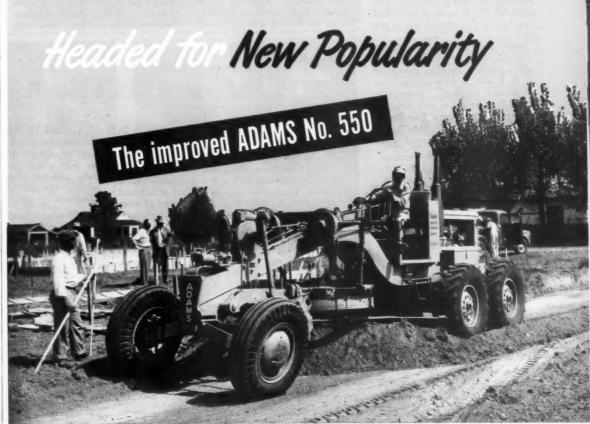
The book explains the operating

principles of the unit and is illustrated with cutaway drawings and photos of torque-converter units at work in typical installations. Graphs show the horsepower characteristics of engines equipped with GM torque converters.

To obtain this literature write to the company, or use the Request Card that is bound in at page 18. Circle No. 809.



Here's a test model of the Drake Dreadnought, a 30-ton 3-engine snow plow said to be the world's largest. Airport snow clearance is its specialty—it is designed to remove 13,000 cubic feet of snow in a minute and to spray it 800 feet away. The manufacturer is Drake American Corp., 20 E. 50th St., New York, N. Y.



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Cut Deep Rock Gorges On Tough Grading Job

Twin 60-Foot Cuts Blasted Out of Massachusetts Hillside For Boston to Lowell Expressway

• ROCK cuts up to 60 feet deep on an eastern Massachusetts grading job provided some of the toughest highway-excavation work encountered last year in New England.

The first contract let by the Massachusetts Department of Public Works on the Boston to Lowell expressway required the removal of an estimated 337,000 yards of rock. And over half of that amount was in one twin cut.

When completed, the 4-mile job near the town of Bedford, Mass., will replace a twisting stretch of U. S. 3 with a wide-median type of divided highway. Eventually, it will be extended in each direction to form the Middlesex Turnpike, a proposed funnel route from Boston to New Hampshire's resort areas in the White Mountains.

Latest Design

The new superhighway features the latest designs used by Massachusetts. The pavement on both northbound and southbound sections is 34 feet wide and is separated throughout by a 100-foot median strip. This unusual width eliminates headlight glare and head-on collisions, but requires both double fills and double cuts.

The 2½-inch-thick bituminous-concrete pavement consists of two 12-foot lanes flanked by a 10-foot parking strip. The surface will be laid in two 1¼-inch courses. The base course is 4½ inches of crushed stone penetrated with 1¾ gallons per square yard of bitumen and covered with keystone. The slope is ¾6 inch per foot with the crown 12 feet in from the inside pavement edge.

The 7-inch surface is supported by 12 inches of gravel subbase carried out to the edge of the embankment.

In fills, side slopes are either 2 to 1 or 4 to 1. Guardrails are used with the 2 to 1 slopes. Slopes in earth cuts are 3 to 1 and in rock cuts are 1 to 4. Drainage slopes in rock cuts are 5 feet wide and slope at 4 to 1.

Grading Contract

The \$2,036,000 grading contract was awarded to Peter Salvucci of Waltham, Mass. The contractor started clearing operations in February of last year with four Homelite one-man electric chain saws running off two generators. A Caterpillar D7 and an Allis-Chalmers HD-5 tractor-dozer did the rough clearing.

Besides the huge amount of rock excavation, Salvucci also had to move 520,000 cubic yards of earth and 70,000 cubic yards of peat. Earth borrow totaled nearly 200,000 yards and gravel borrow 100,000 yards.

The rock excavation, however,

was the unusual feature of the job. Almost 200,000 yards had to be blasted out of the two parallel gorges at the north end of the job.

Blasting

Right at the beginning Salvucci subcontracted all the blasting work to the Curly Construction Co., of Teaneck, N. J. Foreman Ed Smith did all the drilling with six Worthington wagon drills. Air was supplied by four Ingersoll-Rand compressors—three 600-cfm and one 315-cfm.

Holes were drilled on 4, 5, and

Holes were drilled on 4, 5, and 6-foot centers, depending on the depth. Four-foot centers were used on holes up to 12 feet deep, 5-foot centers on holes between 12 and 16 feet, and 6-foot centers on the 24 to 30-foot lifts. About 100 holes were drilled for every shot.

drilled for every shot.

Using both 40 and 60 per cent Atlas and Du Pont dynamite, Smith blasted 1,000 yards a day in the big cuts. Regular delay fuses were used and shots were fired usually in five series across the cut. About ½ pound of dynamite was used per yard of excavation.

On the big cut, Smith used his three 600-cfm compressors with an 8-inch air line running up to 1,000 feet to the drills. The deep gorges were blasted out with three lifts



N. B. Allen, Resident Engineer for the Massachusetts Department of Public Works, and Andrew Bruschette, Superintendent for Peter Salvucci.

averaging 20 feet each.

Timken carbide bits ranging from 2 to 2¼ inches did all the drilling. They lasted from 1½ hours to all day, depending on rock conditions.

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Yes, the "family circle" of users of Allis-Chalmers tractors is growing constantly. Many users who bought their first Allis-Chalmers tractor only a few years ago now have fleets of them, and many others who operate only one or two tractors have become Allis-Chalmers boosters.

This acceptance is the springboard behind a big plant expansion at Springfield, Illinois, which will enable Allis-Chalmers to meet your future needs. See your nearby Allis-Chalmers dealer now for the inside facts on pacesetting tractors that measure up to modern production methods.



An Ingersoll-Rand air-powered sharpening rig was used to rehabilitate the bits.

Shots Every Day

Shots were made at the end of each day to keep plenty of work ahead for the hungry Lorain shovels. Salvucci used five 2-yard Lorains with 12 Euclid rear-dump trucks and 5 bottom-dump trucks. Average hauls ranged between 2,000 and 3,000 feet. One deep 60-foot fill just south of the gorge took most of the excavation from the big twin cuts. The 5 shovels averaged about 7,000 yards of ledge and fill each day. Four Caterpillar scrapers pulled by D8's excavated earth in suitable areas.

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A 2-yard Lorain shovel loads a Euclid in deep rock cut on the relocation of U. S. 3 to form the Middlesex Turnpike in Massachusetts. Peter Salvucci, Waltham, Mass. was the contractor.





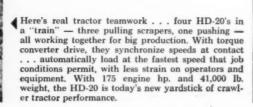
From haul road to highway to heavy construction . . wherever big production is essential to the job, this big HD-15 has more than proved its worth. With 109 drawbar hp. and 27,850 lb. weight, it works quickly, efficiently as a dozer, tractor-shovel, puller or pusher.

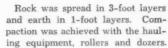


This 72 drawbar hp., 18,800-lb. HD-9 is making friends in every field because its power and weight make it ideal for dozens of today's jobs. And, operators can gain up to 25 percent more production on short dozing jobs because they can go from any forward to any reverse speed with just one shift.



The 40 drawbar hp., 11,250-lb. HD-5 is a versatile jack-of-all-trades for fleet owners as well as one-man operations . . . with hydraulically controlled Tracto-Shovel, it's equally useful loading bulk materials, dozing, digging basements, dozens of other jobs.





Other equipment included a Lima backhoe for drainage work, and a P&H dragline for peat excavation. Working in the cuts and fills were two International TD-24's, two TD-18's, a Caterpillar D8 and a D7, and one Allis-Chalmers HD-15. A Gradall worked on slopes and trenches, and was sometimes useful in dislodging loose rock from the sides of steep cuts.

Gravel Subbase

Gravel subbase was excavated from pits adjacent to the job and hauled in ten 10-wheel Mack trucks. Two Austin-Western and one Galion grader spread the gravel. One tandem and one 3-wheel Buffalo-Springfield did the rolling.

With such a large fleet of construction equipment engaged in several types of operation, it was necessary to keep in close touch with all key men. A system of Link 2-way radios did the job. The field office could get in quick contact with several pickup trucks on the job, and even the home office in Waltham. The latter setup even saved considerable telephone cost. Probably the most unique device in the system was the radio-connected loudspeaker on the top of the Superintendent's truck, which permitted him to hear messages several hundred feet away.

Personnel

Andrew Bruschette was General Superintendent for Peter Salvucci. N. B. Allen was Resident Engineer for the Massachusetts Department of Public Works, which is headed by William C. Tuttle, Chief Engineer.

Driscoll Again Heads BTEA

Fred J. Driscoll, President of George F. Driscoll Co., general contractor, was unanimously re-elected President of the Building Trades Employes' Association of New York, N. Y., at its annual meeting in February. It will be Mr. Driscoll's third term.

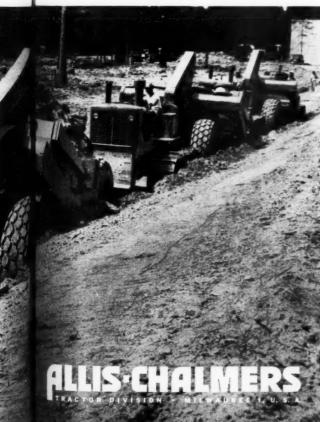
Other officers re-elected were: Vice President, Harry J. Stellmann of Starrett Bros. & Eken; Second Vice President, William B. F. Drew of J. L. Murphy, Inc.; Third Vice President, Joseph A. Courter, head of Courter & Co., Inc.; Treasurer, William Angus, President of William Angus, Inc.; and Secretary, W. Arthur Riehl.

Catalog of Rock Bits

Rock-drill bits are listed and described in a new booklet from Brunner & Lay Rock Bit Corp., 2514 E. Cumberland St., Philadelphia 25, Pa.

Paving-breaker tools, sheathing drivers, dirt tampers, clay-digger tools, pneumatic star drills, chipping-hammer tools, hollow drills, tungsten carbide rock bits, and hollow-drill steel are among the items. Descriptions of the products are amplified by tables of dimensions and weights. All items are illustrated.

To obtain this literature write to the company or use the Request Card that is bound in at page 18. Circle No. 718.



Wellman Promotes Shew

Fred B. Shew has taken over the post of Sales Manager of the Bucket Department of The Wellman Engineering Co., Cleveland, Ohio. Mr. Shew was formerly District Manager of the company's Chicago office.

A New Electrode

A new grade E-6010 electrode is announced by the Metal & Thermit Corp., 100 E. 42nd St., New York 17, N. Y. The Murex Type R electrode is said to have a small amount of spatter, uniformity of arc behavior, and lack of spearing. It takes high currents without coating breakdown or change of performance as the electrode is consumed.

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The head of a new open-end wrench rotates so that jaws open or close depending on the direction of turn. Accordingly, the harder the wrench is turned the tighter it grips. The Plattina self-adjusting wrench



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The wrench, which is made of chrome vandium steel, is manufactured near Solingen, Western Germany, and is being introduced here by Fuller & Hellman, Inc., Moro, Oreg.

For further information write to the company, or use the Request Card at page 18. Circle No. 803.

Offer Dozers, Scrapers, **Line of Attachments**

Dozers, scrapers, rippers, winches, and cable power control units are among items in a new line of construction machinery offered by the Road & Track Equipment Division of Pullman-Standard Car Mfg. Co., 79 E. Adams St., Chicago 3, Ill. The equipment is used with International crawler-type tractors of various sizes.

Dozers are made with straight or angle blade and with cable or hydraulic control. Single-drum front and double-drum rear-powered cable control units are available. The low-mounted straight blade tilts 12 inches. A clearing blade can be substituted for it by removing six pins. The angle blade turns 25 degrees and tilts 7 inches.

The company makes scrapers in a variety of sizes. All models have a high-lifting apron and long low bowl. Gooseneck design is said to permit nonstop turns within the scraper's own length.

The rippers penetrate from 24 to 30 inches deep in cuts from 6 feet to 7 feet 5 inches. Digging depth and clearance of teeth are controlled from the driver's seat.

Winches that mount adapters are said to provide up to 100 per cent more pull than the drawbar pull of the tractor. Brake holding power increases automatically as the load increases. On some models a swivel coupler and lock are optional.

For further information write to the company, or use the Request Card at page 18. Circle No. 710.

Weiss for Mellon-Stuart

Warren H. Weiss recently resigned as Chief Engineer of Ragnor Benson, Inc., Pittsburgh, Pa., to accept the position of Vice President of Mellon-Stuart Co., Pittsburgh, Pa., contracting-engineering firm. He is a member of the Pennsylvania Society of Professional Engineers.

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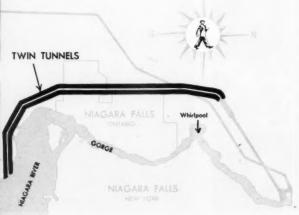


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LOCATION Niagara Falls, Ontario.

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4,375,000 cu. yds. (9,923,000 tons) of rock will be

excavated to form the huge twin tunnels. These 51/2 mile tunnels will convey water from the upper Niagara River beneath the city of Niagara Falls, Ontario, to a point near the Whirlpool Rapids, well below the Falls. Water thus diverted for hydro-electric power purposes would supply the water needs of 200 million people!

This is the first large tunnel operation where drilling has been mechanized. The "All Joy Equipment" installation confirms Joy's position as leader in the heavy construction and tunneling equipment market. Joy Manufacturing Company, Oliver Building, Pittsburgh 22, Pa. In Canada: Joy Manufacturing Company (Canada) Limited, Galt. Ontario.





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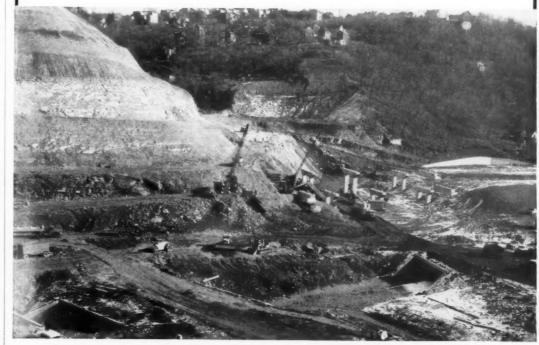
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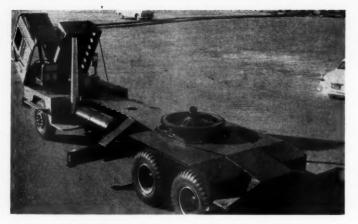
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• WITH a lining crew of less than 70 men, Winston Bros. Co. of Monrovia, Calif., made an 80-foot lining pour 6 days a week to hurry its \$1,691,262 contract to completion for the excavation and lining of Bald Mountain Tunnel, near Loveland, Colo. The 6,750-foot 10½-foot-diameter finished pressure tube is a part of the Colorado-Big Thompson delivery system on the east slope of the Rockies, and was built for the U. S. Bureau of Reclamation.

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d., Pittsburgh d., Charlesto ro; P.S. So Despite hot weather, a hot tunnel, hot water, and hot cement, all the concrete-placing problems were whipped and the work proceeded rapidly. It was started on March 19, 1951, holed through on November 3 the same year, and completed by November 1, 1952.

Design and Purpose

Bald Mountain Tunnel is one of several such bores. It brings Colorado River water down the east slope of the Rocky Mountains for hydroelectric milking and eventual use as a supplemental irrigation supply on farmlands on the eastern slope. It is a pressure conduit, dropping the water from elevation 6,541.32 to 6,513.17 in its length, after which the water makes a sharp 1,059-foot drop into the Flatiron power plant. Details of the Colorado-Big Thompson system have been carried in previous issues of Contractors and Engi-NEERS, but in general the purpose of the big project is to bring water from the Colorado under the Rockies through the 13-mile Adams tunnel and take its hydroelectric energy as the water drops down the east slope toward the thirsty acres.

The tunnel was excavated to a predicted diameter of 11½ feet, and the concrete lining is 1-foot thick and heavily reinforced. Actually, the tunnel was excavated with an overbreak of 14 per cent, making the concrete run about 49 per cent over the estimate as lining was done. Winston's project included only the tunnel drilling and lining, and construction of a surge chamber 50 feet in diameter by 83 feet deep. This big tank, cut in solid rock, is close to the east portal of the tunnel. Some pressure grouting is also being done to seal off the rock behind the lining.

Messy Cleanup Job

Bald Mountain Tunnel passed through considerable dirty and unstable ground, so in addition to the necessity for using great quantities of steel supports during and after excavation, the tunnel cleanup was one of the most troublesome phases of the work. In spite of a preliminary cleanup last spring, followed by the placing of a sub-invert in the worst places, it remained a tough job.

Cleanup was centered on the graveyard shift, when everything else could be cleared out of the way,

and the 15-man crew charged with that part of the operation had to prepare 80 feet—actually 90, to make room for the forms—if they could. The mud and dirt on the tunnel floor was first cleaned up by hand and loaded into one or two mine cars, which were snaked out by a small G-E locomotive. Air and water jets were used also, and in many cases

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Three Flocrete pneumatic concrete placers take on concrete from the paver setup just outside the tunnel portal. $Roy\, Day\, Photo$



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the small mud-filled depressions had to be cleaned out by hand, using small tools and buckets. The job was a mean one, requiring many manhours of labor, but there seemed no other way to expose clean rock for the bond between the lining and the Bald Mountain rock.

If for some reason cleanup work was unusually tough, it took more than a shift to prepare a section. In that case, the cleanup work was finished out the following day with extra men brought in for the

Forms, Steel Set on Day Shift

The day shift usually saw at least two and sometimes three operations. Reinforcing steel was set on the day shift, and the 80-foot form was stripped and moved ahead, blocked, the bulkhead made, and everything checked out for the pour. This operation went along so close to schedule that the log book was almost monotonous, showing the start of concreting at 4:30 p.m. or thereabouts.

Reinforcing steel consisted lapped segments of 1-inch steel bars which formed the ring steel, followed by longitudinal bars set around the cage. Ogden Construction Co. of Denver had a subcontract for this part of the work, and the steel was



Bald Mountain Tunnel now drops water into this big power penstock, shown here under construction by another contract.

furnished by KC Supply Co. The men who tied the steel bent their

"pigtails" down to minimize puncture wounds for other men who had to work on the forms and vibrate concrete around these protrusions. Such a simple thing as a protruding wire pigtail cost the loss of a man's eye on another Big Thompson conThe

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After the steel was set, the main job was to move the steel form ahead and set it up for the next pour. The form consisted of 20-foot segments of structural ribs, covered by a 1/4-inch steel-plate facing. The ribs were designed by Robert S. Mayo, a structural engineer of Lancaster, Pa. manufactured in the east, and shipped to Colorado.

The forms consisted of a bottom section, curved to fit the invert which could be set down on solid footing. This section also carried a narrow-gage railroad track to pass the main jumbo. The other section of the form finished out the tunnel perimeter, having folding wings which tied in to both sides of the base form, and a collapsible construction at the top. The wings were raised by hand hoists, and the form collapsed and extended by means of hand jacks. When the form was collapsed, it rode along to its next location on its jumbo. When the form was set in place with all the jacks tight, the jumbo acted as its main support during the pour. In spite of the fact that all jacks and hoists were operated by hand, the form was most effective and easy to set up. A crew of 13 men could pick it up and move it easily in a shift.

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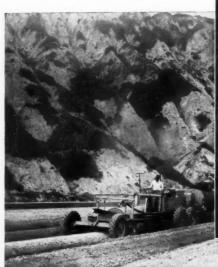
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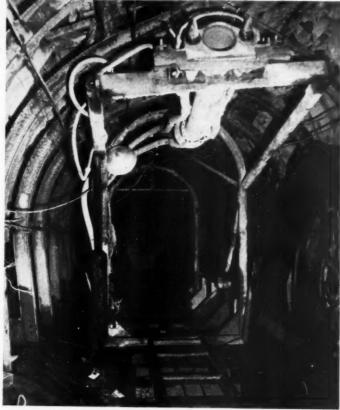
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Concrete Placing

A Flocrete pneumatic concrete placer was used in lining the tunnel. This placer is essentially new to tunnel builders, and, according to Construction Engineer George Highley, the method fully meets the Bureau of Reclamation's requirements. With it, concrete is forced through a slick line to its point of placement in the pour, using air rather than piston ressure. The slick line is buried at least 5 feet in the concrete at all times so the material will be delivered steadily and without segregation. The placer is unique in that it is not a modification of any standard unit. It is designed for use in limited clearances, and to fit within the dimensions of most tunnel jobs. Its 2-yard body is only 60 inches high. and has no side projections.

On the Bald Mountain Tunnel job, the placer operated on compressed air at pressures of 90 to 100 psi, piped in from a Gardner-Denver 50cfm portable compressor. An 8-inch



This concrete pumping arrangement leads from the Flocrete placer. Concrete comes into the tunnel via railroad cars and the narrow-gage track in the foreground. Bureau of Reclamation Photo

air line ran from the compressor to a 2-inch rubber-hose connection on

the placer. A patented valve arrangement permitted the operator to control the concrete discharge to suit varying conditions within the forms.

However, at the first pour, the concrete, which had arrived on the job with a 6-inch slump, was found to have stiffened up to 21/2 inchesmuch too stiff for pipeline placement. This problem was solved by draining the hot water from the pump and delivery lines leading to a water tank above the work, involving about 7,000 feet of 6-inch line, and maintaining these lines at the same average 70-degree temperature as the reservoir constant. In addition, the hot placers were cooled off from the sun by bringing them inside the tunnel on the day shift where they would be shielded from the sun. These precautions brought the slump at point of placement down to 41/2 inches, which was enough to allow the concrete to settle around the steel and make a dense mass.

At all times the concrete was permitted to assume its normal angle of repose under both internal and external vibration, and the pours were not "forced." Not until a goodly part of the concrete in a pour had been placed was the slick line moved. Then it was carefully withdrawn by an air tugger, as the concrete continued to build up around the tube

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the tunnel portal. Concrete requirements from this plant were such that it worked much better to deliver tunnel concrete on the swing shift. The material was dry-batched to a fleet of 10 batch trucks, hauling 2 and 4 batches to the load. The trucks delivered the material to a Ransome 34-E paver skip just outside the tunnel.

When a batch of concrete was mixed, it was discharged to a Flocrete placer. There were six such placers on the job, and they were handled in trains of two each. Some excellent pouring records were made. The pours contained 158 pay yards, with a 49 per cent overrun because of excavation overbreak, but the system accounted for about 39 cubic yards of concrete in place per hour. Rates of placement as high as 42 cubic yards an hour were set.

The forms were stripped the next day after they were filled, and the fresh concrete was then sprinkled with water. When the beads began to disappear, the surface was protected by an application of paraffin membrane-curing compound.

Grouting was no serious problem. A rubber-tube fitting which could be wedged in the hole by twisting a wing nut on top was used. The limit taken by one grout hole was 277 sacks of cement, but the other holes took considerably less slurry.

Personnel

Winston Bros. Co.'s operations were under the general supervision of Fred Peterson, Project Manager, with Frank R. Merrick as General Superintendent and Paul Haldaman as Assistant Superintendent. Joe Duda was Foreman on finishing. His crew worked swing shift while they poured. Shifters in the tunnel included Jiggs Jamison, form setting; Pierre Wamboldt, concrete lining; Tom Clarke, graveyard cleanup; C. M. Blue, day-shift cleanup; and Newell Gapter, grout. Joe Barton was Office Manager.

The Bureau of Reclamation's field work was under the general supervision of G. R. Highley, Construction Engineer.

Goodyear Celebrates

With the celebration of its 40th anniversary, the Mechanical Goods Division of Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co., Akron, Ohio, reaches a milestone in its production record. Beginning in February, 1913, on one floor of the old main Akron, Ohio, plant, the Division, with only 150 workers, began manufacture of four products: balata belting, horseshoe pads, rubber tiling, and soles and heels.

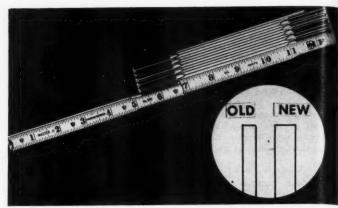
Today, operating with over 5,000 employees in the company's Plant 2 in Akron, the Division has complete plants in Lincoln, Nebr., and St. Mary's, Ohio, as well as manufacturing divisions in the Los Angeles, Calif., and New Bedford, Mass., plants. It produces 20 major categories of products, including the Goodyear conveyor belt, an example of which may be found in the system at Shasta Dam, Calif., and 400 different rubber parts for automobiles.

Astronomical Tables

The 1953 edition of "Solar Ephemeris and Polaris Tables" has been published by C. L. Berger & Sons, Inc., 37 Williams St., Boston 19, Mass. The 132-page booklet contains complete instructions, in English and Spanish, prepared by Herman J. Shea, Associate Professor of Surveying, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, for determining azimuths from the sun and the altitude of Polaris.

Directions for making astronomical observations and computing results by direct solar observation and time from the same observation; meridian by solar attachment; meridian by Polaris at elongation; azimuth by Polaris at any hour angle; latitude by sun at noon, and latitude by Polaris are included, as well as all requisite tables.

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Folder on Corrugated Steel

A folder on corrugated - steel sheeting has been issued by Armco Drainage & Metal Products, Inc., Middletown, Ohio. It describes two types of sheeting, flange and interlocking, and shows how these can be used to control soil and water. Recommended uses include trenches.

cofferdams, shore protection, diversion dams, bridge-pier protection, and lagging for tunnels and shafts. The folder is illustrated and lists properties and weights.

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Schield Bantam News

Paul Harris is the new District Manager for Schield Bantam Co., Waverly, Iowa, in its southeastern This includes eastern territory. Tennessee, North and South Carolina, Alabama, Georgia, and Florida.

For the past 14 years, Mr. Harris has been closely associated with users of all kinds of construction machinery. Until recently he was in Texas as Sales Representative and Explosives Engineer for a large power company. He will make his headquarters in Atlanta, Ga.

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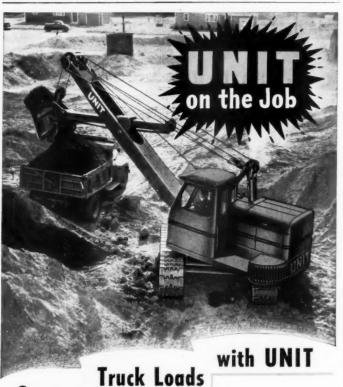
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Looking back over the finishing operations that follow behind the truck mixer delivering the concrete on a Kansas City street-widening project.

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City Street Widened To Relieve Traffic Jam

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 EVERY traffic-way improvement in Kansas City is vitally important to its future development industrially and residentially. Construction-wise, Kansas City is scarcely able to complete a major bridge or thoroughfare before it is time to place another on the drawing boards
—there are never enough streets, enough width, or enough bridges.

The recently completed widening of Wornall Road from 20 to 40 feet is important because it will relieve some of the congestion in the southern part of town.

Three-Way Cooperation

Wornall Road runs south from 43rd Street to 85th Street and the widening is taking place from 77th Street to 85th Street. This 20-foot macadam has been down, as the story goes, "since time began".

Since ingress and egress had to

be maintained for the hundreds of homes and business places, the job was much more of a problem than pouring a new roadway. Property owners, city engineers, and the contractor worked out a plan to minimize the trouble which comes with such major changes.

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The contractor agreed to finish the job a short section at a time and decided to complete first the four blocks from 81st Street to 85th Street. One lane was done at a time, while traffic used the other half of the right-of-way, and when the pours were cured the traffic was permitted to use the completed lane while the other lane was being poured. The contractor then moved down and completed the second section by the same process.

As a further complication of the situation, there were hundreds of sewer and water lines to be cut,





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An 8- yard Smith truck mixer mounted on an L 210 International truck delivers 6-sack-mix oncrete on the Wornall Road in Kansas City

changed, or revised. The city water department and the sewer contractor had to work in the same space, which resulted in some excavation materials being dumped on abutting property. Many of the property owners were unable to use their driveways until gravel was hauled in. The City cooperated by furnishing two sprinkler trucks to keep the dust wetted down, and it also tried to reduce the unnecessary traffic in the crowded area by keeping outside traffic out except for business purposes.

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Old Paving Removed

Contract for the new street was awarded to Musselman & Hall Construction Co. by the Department of Public Works for \$190,000 and the job was started August 1, 1952.

First job was to remove the old

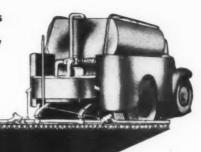
20-foot macadam, which was to become one 20-foot lane of the new 40-foot width. Excavation on this removal reached as much as 18 inches in establishing the new subgrade and most of it averaged more than 12 inches.

A Caterpillar heavy-duty ripper drawn by a Caterpillar D7 was used to rip up the old paving. Tough spots were cracked with a skullcracker. The D7 had a dozer blade in front and after ripping up a section it dozed it up in piles where it would be handy for loading into dump trucks by a Caterpillar D4 Traxcavator. A 3/4-yard Lima shovel also helped load.

Most of the material was hauled away to spoil, but some of the finer material was retained for adding to the subgrade. Rough subgrade was

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City Street Widened To Relieve Traffic Jam

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established with dozers and it was then bladed with a No. 212 Caterpillar grader.

Form Setting

Blaw-Knox steel forms were laid out for the 20-foot width with deformed marginal tie bars 1/2 inch x 30 inches, spaced at 30 inches, set along the high side for the longitudinal joint in the center of the 40foot width.

Three men and a foreman were used in driving stakes and aligning forms. The steel, of which there was more than 1,000 feet on the job, was kept about 30 feet ahead of the fin-Steel forms were sprayed

with an oil mixture composed of part old crankcase oil and part diesel fuel.

Fine-grading was completed with a Jaeger subgrader and the surface was then rolled with a 12-ton Galion. Finished subgrades met 95 modified Proctor density specifications.

New Paying

The new paving is 40 feet wide in two 20-foot lanes, 8 inches thick with a 4-inch crown. Total length for the job is 5,100 feet.

Concrete mix was 6 sacks to the cubic yard for 3,000 pounds psi at 27 days, and was delivered to the job in 8-yard Smith truck mixers on L-210 International trucks by the Stewart Sand & Gravel Co. Trucks backed into the lane for unloading in front of the finisher. One man agitated with a Viber vibrator mounted on the finisher. Two men

with shovels kept tracks clear, checked wheels and picked up overflow outside the forms.

Following the Jaeger finisher was Koerhing hand-propelled bull Two men behind the bull float used hand floats with long handles. Two men followed with long-handled brooms for the finish and worked from each side or on a 4-wheel bridge. Rate of pour was 300 feet daily and the job required 6,000 cubic yards of concrete.

Curing Routine

Sisalkraft paper in 20-foot widths, and handled for re-use on 3 x 3 wood cores, was used to cover the finished concrete and left for 72 hours. No other curing was necessary.

Forms were stripped as needed after the 72-hour curing period and moved ahead.

Personnel

For the Kansas City, Mo., Department of Public Works, Reed Mc-Kinley is the Director of Public Works: John Maring, City Engineer; and J. E. Brannon, Project Engineer. For the contractor, Musselman & Hall, who used a crew of 20 men, Harold Hall was General Superintendent.

Weed-Control Chemicals

A 4-page folder on weed-control chemicals is available from Brulin & Co., Inc., 2939 Columbia Ave., Indianapolis 7, Ind. Four types of weed and brush-control products and their applications are presented: a nonselective weed killer for all types of vegetation; a selective killer for extermination of tough species such as maple, ash and oak; a dual-purpose weed control for use where there is danger of spray drift injuring adjacent vegetation; and a 2, 4-D liquid weed killer for control of a variety of weeds without injury to most types of grass.

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A detachable edge wheel now available for the Rollpac I-ton roller is said to allow the unit to work flush with walls or curbing. The edge is the same diameter as the rear roller, slips on a stub axle, and is removable when not in use. For further information write to Soilaire Industries, 1200 Second Ave., S. Minne. apolis 3, Minn., or use the Request Card at page 18. Circle No 800.

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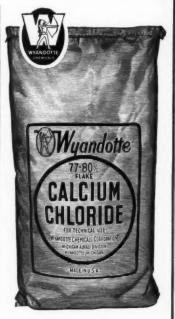
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(Above) Bullhead railway lines laid on their sides one above the other, with 21/2-inch steel balls between them, provided the four ball races on which the 80-foot water tower progressed. (Left) A Caterpillar D7 tractor tows the tower along a specially prepared track. Block and tackle enable the 5-ton pull of the D7 to exert a pull of about 50 tons on the 1,900-ton tower.

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Cradle for 1,900-ton Structure Travels on Rail Track Made Of Continuous Ball Races

• THE problem of moving a 1,900ton 80-foot-high concrete water tower a distance of 300 yards was solved recently by using a Caterpillar D7 diesel tractor to pull the structure over specially constructed track.

Located in Bedford, England, the water tower was the property of the Bedford Rural District Council, which decided that it would either have to be moved to a new location or demolished. J. L. Kier & Co., Ltd., was the contractor, and E. Ingerslev of that company supervised the work.

Mr. Ingerslev's plan was to lay a concrete-based rail track, on which to pull a cradle bearing the tower. The D7 was to be equipped with a 10 to 1 block-and-tackle reduction (Concluded on next page)





Aurora, Illinois, U.S.A.

Huge Water Tower Is Towed by Tractor

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which would enable the tractor's 5-ton pull to exert a 50-ton pull. The estimated cost of this scheme was about half as much as that of building another tower at a new location.

Track-and-Cradle Arrangement

The track consisted of continuous ball races made up of ordinary bull-head-section railway lines laid on their sides one above the other. Between them were the bearings—about 800 steel balls 2½ inches in diameter.

The ball races were arranged in pairs, each pair supported by a line of precast-concrete blocks 6 feet

wide at the bottom and 2 feet wide at the top. These blocks spread the load over the full width of two concrete roads leading from one tower to the new site. The roads consisted of 4-inch concrete on a hard-core base rolled into the clay subsoil, which had been previously cleared and leveled by the Caterpillar D7 tractor and dozer.

The first section of the track was built up around and through the base of the tower, the 2-foot concrete walls being cut to allow the rails to pass through. A concrete cradle, made of a series of prestressed-concrete 6 x 2-foot beams, carried the tower as it was hauled along the track. Where these beams went through the tower structure, only holes for the prestressed cable were bored through, so that the tower formed part of the cradle.

When the cradle was finished and lying snugly on the track, eight of the tower's twelve supporting columns and the panel walls were cut away by blasting, leaving the tower supported by only four columns. These were then gradually cut away until the tower settled on the track.

Towed 50 Feet in Each Haul

In towing the tower, the D7 pulled through the block and tackle so that for each 10 feet the tower moved one foot. The track was arranged so that the tower could be moved about 50 feet in one haul. Then the D7 was unhitched, and, by means of a hoist attachment, picked up the rear blocks and laid them in their new position in front of the tower and replaced the track and ball races.

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bad weather, the tower was over its new foundation 4 weeks after it had been moved from its former site.

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Barge Connector Winch

A new 15-ton heavy-duty barge connector winch has been placed on the market by Beebe Bros., 2724 6th Ave., S., Seattle 4, Wash. The winch is reversible and may be in-



stalled either port or starboard, with the operator always on the inboard side of the winch. Optional deckfastener brackets permit flush welding to steel decks, and allow removal of the winch when necessary.

The winch has three speeds of 4:1, 19:1, and 109:1, with a patented gear change. Two-way dogs prevent line slack.

Two drum diameters of 10 and 14 inches are available. The winch has a low drum center which allows the line to clear the deck by only 4 inches when the drum is fully spooled.

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Line of Road-Mix Machines

Self-propelled road-mix machines for bituminous mixing and soil stabilization are described in a booklet from Seaman Motors, Inc., 305 N. 25 St., Milwaukee 3, Wis. The Trav-l-Plant has a 7-foot-wide rotor that admixes at the rate of 50 to 350 feet per minute. Bituminous or water binder is pumped through a 7-foot spraybar directly into the churned material. Tachometers and a volumetric meter are part of the standard equipment. The unit is powered by a 90 or 120 hp gas or diesel engine and has mixing speeds ranging from .85 mph to 4.9 mph.

The Pulvi-Mixer model comes without the admixing accessories. A pull-type motorized model is also made.

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General Motors Names Four

Ernest F. Bentley is new General Sales Manager of the Detroit Diesel Engine Division of General Motors Corp., Detroit, Mich. He succeeds V. C. Genn who died in January. Mr. Bentley has been associated with GM since 1934 and has served the company in various capacities. Prior to his present appointment he was Operations Sales Manager.

Three other appointments recently made are Robert V. Baxley, Operations Sales Manager; John C. Campbell, Manager of Manufacturers' Sales; and Louis S. Steele, Industrial Sales Manager.





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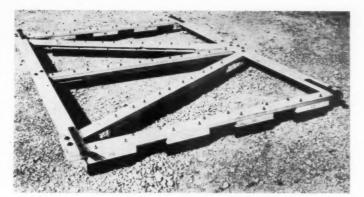
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A new steel drag broom for leveling gravel, sand, and peastone is offered by Kinney Spring Steel Broom Co., 56 Kearney St., Needham Hgts., Mass. The drag frame, which is 8 feet 8 inches x 12 feet over-all, has diagonal rows of brooms to carry extra material from side to side and to fill depressions. Bolts are set into the block for attaching to the frame. This eliminates drilling blocks or removing bunches of wire to insert bolts.

Drag frames are furnished com-



plete with brooms attached, or the user may build his own frame using the company's working drawing furnished upon request.

For further information write to the company, or use the Request Card at page 18. Circle No. 737.

Tamblyn, Hough Sales Mgr.

Frank G. Hough Co., Libertyville, Ill., manufacturer of tractors, tractor shovels, and their applicators, has appointed G. A. Tamblyn Sales Manager. He has been with the company for 11 years.

Progress in Motor Grader Design

Allis-Chalmers new AD-40 shows importance of visibility. Operator can see front wheels — both ends of blade while he works.

MOTOR grader operator has to be able to see his work to do a good job, whether he's rolling big windrows or doing highly accurate finishing,

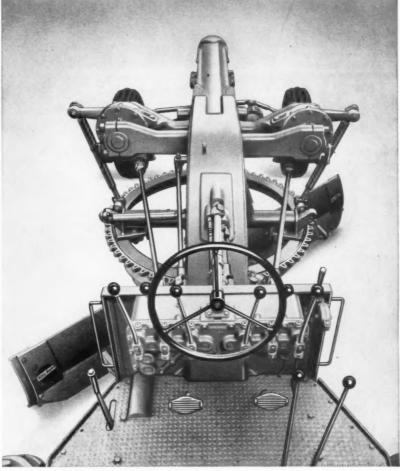
Here is how Allis-Chalmers engineers made sure the new AD-40 met these requirements. They carried A-C's single member frame all the way from the front axle to the platform; cut down the size of the lift cases to eliminate blind spots; lowered the control box and eliminated assemblies from the front panel to provide better visibility of the work area directly in front of the operator; tapered the front edges of the platform so that he could see both ends of the moldboard as he works.

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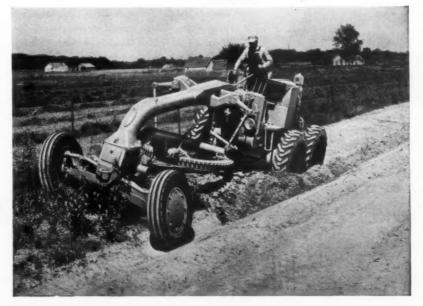
ALLIS-CHALMERS





(above) Here is actual view operator has from platform of Allis-Chalmers AD-40, showing how well he can see both ends of the blade and both front wheels,

(below) The AD-40 has 104 brake horsepower, 23,000 pounds of weight and tandem drive traction, all it needs to do a better job on heavy duty construction . . . a faster job on maintenance.



New 45-Ton Crane Is Crawler Mounted

A new 45-ton crawler crane has just been announced by The Thew Shovel Co., 28th St. & Fulton Road, Lorain, Ohio. The Lorain 820-KS is a companion machine to the 45-ton Moto-Crane, Model MC-824. The 820-KS has a diesel-powered turntable with a hydraulic-coupling power takeoff mounted on a long wide crawler. Air assist on boom hoist and crawler travel are standard. The worm-driven boom hoist has a ratchet and pawl safety lock.

The chain-driven crawler has two speeds. It is 18 feet 6 inches long and 14 feet 2 inches wide with 48-inch-wide cast-manganese-steel tread shoes. The crawler steering and tread-travel lock are air-controlled and have auxiliary manual controls. For the crawler's two travel speeds in both directions,





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Portable Pipeline Dredge

A portable hydraulic 8-inch pipeline dredge is discussed in a catalog from the Ellicott Machine Corp., 1611 Bush St., Baltimore 30, Md. It can be moved by truck or rail.

The unit, called the Little Dragon, has a digging depth up to 20 feet and pumps through lines up to 2,000 feet long. The output of the dredge ranges from 50 to 150 yards per hour. The booklet discusses the deck house, the main dredging pump, the 5-drum hauling and hoisting machinery, the hull, and cutting machinery.

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Timken Promotes

Richard K. McConkey is the new Assistant General Manager of the Industrial Division of Timken Roller Bearing Co., with his headquarters at the main office in Canton, Ohio.

Mr. McConkey joined Timken in July, 1935, and has been District Manager in the company's Milwaukee, Wis., Los Angeles, Calif., and Moline, Ill., offices. He held the lastnamed post until his present promotion.



U. S. 30 Is Rebuilt On Wyoming Summit

A 4.5-Mile Improvement Job Between Laramie and Cheyenne Brings Lincoln Highway to New Traffic Standards

• ACROSS the summit of Sherman Hill between Laramie and Cheyenne, Wyo., where U. S. 30 rises to 8,825 feet above sea level to reach its highest point, the road has been rebuilt by stage construction to modern traffic standards. The 4½-mile \$674,000 improvement job called for grading, structures, drainage, granular subbase and 2 inches of asphaltstabilized base. At some time in the future, plant-mix surfacing will be placed by another contract.

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UP CHICAGO Brown Construction Co. of Pueblo, Colo., had the contract with the Wyoming Highway Department, and although numerous construction problems like major rock excavation, summer tourist traffic and so on, were present constantly, Brown's officials had the job ready to "sell" to the State by October 1, 1952, only 5 months from its starting date of May 1. It is not a bad time record, considering how much work was done. The job was started with heavy snow still on the ground, and was closed down as late as July 7 with the last snowstorm of the season. In fact, there are no seasons in Wyoming's high country.

The improvement project had been badly needed for several years. The long grade up Telephone Canyon to the top of Sherman Hill east of Laramie is about 12 miles long, and with so much heavy truck traffic using this major transcontinental east-west highway, a traffic bottleneck of serious proportions was much in evidence. Wherever possible, Wyoming tries to build extra truck-passing lanes on these long grades, and the new asphalt-stabilized surface, 36 feet wide, gives that effect to the new road.

The maintenance bill, too, for patching, snow removal, and other routine road doctoring was beginning to run away with itself. By raising the embankment grades slightly above the surrounding terrain and by flattening the cut slopes as much as possible, the State's engineers hoped to duplicate their success on many another section in using the wind, as much as possible, for snow removal. It has been proved beyond doubt in Wyoming that much snow-removal expense can be eliminated through proper design prior to construction.

Wide Roadbed

The new roadbed has a top width of 56 feet, with a drain slope of ½ inch per foot. The wide shoulders outside the 36-foot stabilized surface consist of primed subbase, topped by a double-penetration course of asphalt and chips. This, also, ties in with Wyoming's contemporary design plans to give her subgrade good drainage and to keep them watertight from above as much as possible.

The asphalt-stabilized upper 2

inches resembles regular roadmixed material, and gives a good riding surface until the job can be plant-mixed later on. Under the stabilized material is a full-width course of ¾-inch-minus aggregate, mostly of crushed material, 3½ inches thick. Underneath that is a full-width course of 1-inch-minus aggregate 3 inches thick. Under-

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A Lorain power shovel, working in blasted rock loads a Koehring Dumptor for the U. S. 30 job in Wyoming. ${\it Ray~Day~Photo}$

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neath that is a decomposed-granite selected embankment material 6 inches thick. Under that is the subgrade, compacted just as tight as modern sheepsfoot, pneumatic, and steel rollers can make it. The statement is perhaps a bit far-fetched. but densities of 95 per cent, referred the Modified method of the AASHO, are average.

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Two International TD-24's with LeTourneau Model W Carryalls work on a small flank dike near the highway to control rainwater coming into the new highway.

weather was suitable. Brown Construction Co. awarded two main The production and subcontracts.

installation of decomposed granite, 1-inch and 3/4-inch aggregates, the oil-mat material, and limestone

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chips went to Hopkins & McPherson of Laramie, Wyo. A considerable portion of the job passes through range country and calls for a limited-access fence on both sides of the highway. Installation of this fence was awarded to Anderson Construction Co. of Longmont, Colo.

Clearing, Pioneering Begin

Right from the start it was obvious that there was no getting away from the old highway, because in general the old road was placed on about as permanent an alignment as it is possible to make economically This meant through the canyon. that clearing, pioneering, and all the other parts of the work would have to be carried on with traffic using the center of the work in many places.

Realizing this, Brown decided on a clever bit of public relations which, as late as September 10, had prevented accidents on the road. Thousands of printed slips, reading as follows, were made up for delivery by a flagman:

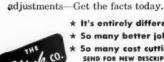
"To Those Who Are Driving This Highway: This road is now under construction and we ask you to bear with us while using this highway. This route takes you through 'Telephone Canyon' and over 'Summit', which is the highest point on the Lincoln Highway-U. S. 30-at an elevation of 8,825 feet.

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Wyoming Highway Department and

Brown Construction Co. Pueblo, Colorado."

The slips proved to be one of the most effective warning devices ever dreamed up by the company, and they met with tremendous public favor. Many cars began to back up to get an extra, for souvenirs. An average of 1,200 cars a day received one of these slips, but it was

next to impossible to find any which had been discarded through the job. All pioneer work to establish

temporary haul roads was done by a Bucyrus-Erie angle-blade dozer mounted on a TD-24 International tractor. According to General Superintendent H. P. Graham, the somewhat bigger than usual combi-

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The portion of the canyon covered by the widened portion of the new highway was covered with quaking aspen and lodgepole pine, some quite thickly grown. A labor crew and Mall power saws soon made short work of tree felling, after which a TD-24 and dozer piled the trees preparatory to burning. Clearing stayed out ahead of the other operations with little trouble in spite of snow on the ground at that stage of the job.

Big Powder Job

The 460,000-cubic-yard excavation job included approximately 250,000



General Superintendent H. P. Graham and his Mercury automobile have plenty of room to pass under the new roadway through this Armco Multi-Plate culvert pipe, which was installed principally for a cattle underpass.

Ray Day Photo

cubic yards of rock so solid it had to be drilled on 5-foot centers and shot with heavy loads of powder. Five carloads of powder were eventually hauled into the project to move the stubborn mixture of soft sandstone, granite, limestone, and other formations typical of the top of the Continental Divide—in which general area the project is located.

One of the formations was so tough that a new driller, one morn-

ing, tollowed Graham's instructions to the letter to start a hole with a regular rock bit. Before he could even start to penetrate the bit, he had turned all the bit knives flat! The bit was completely dull and hadn't even started to drill.

Timken tungsten carbide bits were used for this and other abnormally hard formations. The soft sandstone responded very well to Timken regular bits. Compressor equipment included four 500-cfm Gardner-Denvers, mounted on special mobile trailers which could be towed quickly by a truck or tractor. There were a pair of 300-cfm Ingersoll-Rands and an Ingersoll-Rand 210. Of the six wagon drills necessary to keep ahead of the excavation spread, four were Joys and two were Ingersoll-Rands.

The soft sandstone especially showed a tendency to absorb explosive force, and in addition, the ground was blocky, broken, and often standing on end. Columnloading therefore had to be the rule, with hole centers shortened up to about 5 feet and bottomed at 2½-inch diameter. Du Pont Special 40 per cent Gelex was used in some of the wet holes, but the majority of loading was done with Du Pont's Red Cross free-running 40 per cent explosive.

A successful method of breaking off shots clean was tried, and it left the adjacent rock unshaken when drills resumed their work. The trick was simply done: the last row of holes was equipped with short millisecond delay exploders, so that this last row of holes would kick over into that portion covered previously by the instantaneous blast. One of the requirements of the specifications which made blasting still tougher was a provision which prohibited rock fills in more than 2-foot lifts. To make 2-foot lifts in a rock fill, the rock must be not greater than that dimension. It upped the powder requirements, made for some secondary shooting and jackhammer work, but it delivered good fills. In one cut alone there was 50,000 cubic yards of rock with hardly a wheelbarrow full of dirt.

As a safety measure, a special improved blasting battery introduced by Du Pont was used. It is impossible, as in the case of older-type hand-blasting machines, for a man to set it off by falling on the upraised handle. The new blasting machine is a dry-cell affair, and requires two hands to set a shot off. It will pull 1,000 holes at a blast quite easily; in fact, on several shots on the job it was overloaded slightly and still did a perfect job.

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FOR years highway engineers have been working toward the elimination of road forms, and at the same time building a road that was known to be definitely level on both sides of the longitudinal joints.

Accuracy could be obtained at the shoulders with a line. The thickness of the course could be ascertained with a gauge but a line at the center of the road for establishing an absolute level was obviously impractical. Up to now, even with the most modern equipment, to arrive at any approach to accuracy in maintaining the level of a black top course over its full width was no more than a reasonably good guess. Matching devices can assure that one course will match the other course at the joint. In other words, both parallel courses will be the same depth where the courses abut, but the course at any given point may have a roll in it.

The shoulder remains true because of the line—The longitudinal joint can be tight—But, the center of the road is veiled in mystery insofar as its level qualities are concerned. There has been no means to correct the roll and dips that won't show under a straight edge.

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rock was a job for four shovels and hauling equipment. Shovels included an 80-J Lorain, a Model 50 Lorain, a 604 Lima, and a Model 6 Northwest. Hauling units include six Euclid 11-yard end dumps and 9 Koehring Dumptors. The average haul for the "Eucs" is around 3,000 feet, with a mile the maximum. The Dumptors are used on shorter hauls with 1,200 feet a fair average.

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Strangely, the broken rock was not hard on the Amsco dippers on the shovels, in spite of its abrasive nature on drill bits. The material loaded well in the 1½, 2, and 2¼-yard dippers on the shovels, and with the aid of a dozer it could be placed in the fill in lifts which met the limits of the specifications.

Scraper Fleet Also Used

In addition to a heavy rock spread. a fleet of Carryall scrapers was also used, consisting of three LeTourneau Model W's with International TD-24's as prime power and an Allis-Chalmers HD-20 as pusher. In addition, there was a D8 Caterpillar which was used with McCoy sheeps-foot rollers for compacting, five D8 dozers and a D6. Auxiliary equipment with this spread also included 3 No. 12 Caterpillar motor graders, 3 water pumps, two 2,500-gallon water trucks, and an 1,800-gallon water truck.

The scrapers were used on hauls up to 2,000 feet, and in spite of the fact that the tractors were having to work at abnormal altitude (around 8,000 feet), there was little power loss evident in the loads which came out of the pit. There is one feature of interest regarding the comfort and convenience of operation of these modern machines: so easy are they to operate in a pit that one operator on crutches as a result of a bad accident last year in a crushing plant was able to operate one of the big red TD-24's and its Carryall scraper with no discomfort or "fight" whatever. His loads of dirt were just as heaped as those of his buddies.

Dirt from the Carryall scrapers was spread in lifts under 8 inches thick. watered if necessary, and rolled Embankments had to be brought up evenly to carry traffic through the job, and operators had to be careful about traffic. But all mishaps were avoided, and the fills were made in record time.

Considerable scraper work was also done in connection with training dikes outside the highway limits, which were built to train runoff water into the various drain structures through the embankments. One huge Armco Multi-Plate culvert carries some drain water, but its principal purpose is to let cattle get through under the highway from one range to another. It is surfaced

on the bottom with road-mixed asphalt.

All embankment and cut slopes in earth areas were smoothed down by motor-grader blades. It is expected that considerable roadside seeding may be done later in the fall.

Base Course and Rock Work

After its final inspection and acceptance, the finished earthen subgrade was covered as quickly as possible with the various courses of granular base. The first application consisted of the 6-inch decomposedgranite base course, called "se-lected embankment" in Wyoming. This material was located conveniently near the summit in a large pit. It dug easily with a Northwest 25 power shovel, without blasting. The material was loaded to a mixed fleet of dump trucks, hauled to the job, and was dumped according to taped distances for the various loads.

Before this material was laid down, it was carefully mixed out by a No. 12 Caterpillar motor grader, whose purpose was to blend the fine and coarse particles to make an even mix. If the material required water, which it usually did, this was trucked in and applied. The decomposed granite was then laid from the quarter point by a motor grader, with a Bros straightwheel rubber-tire roller following up behind a Farmall tractor.

The 1-inch, 3/4-inch, and limestone-chip aggregates had to be made by crushing and screening plants. As was the case with the decomposed-aggregate pit, one location was sufficient for the job, and the rock-production equipment was set in at the west end of the project near the foot of the Telephone Can-

The 1-inch material was produced by a small Cedarapids rock plant with a twin 12×36 jaw crusher and conventional screens. The %-inch material was manufactured by a considerably larger Cedarapids plant, which was driven by a Caterpillar diesel and which had a 10 x 36 primary jaw and 24 x 40 roll crushers, in addition to a double-screen deck. Both plants were fed by a D8 and dozer operating in the pit.

One feature of interest on this part of the work was the use of special patented feeder traps developed by C. H. Acord of Wheatland, Wyo., the plant operator. Acord has made and delivered about six of these units to various Wyoming and Colorado contractors. The feeders are mounted on their own wheels, and are fully mobile for the highway. To set them in place, they are simply spot-ted in position, the wheels are blocked, the wings are extended and braced, and the trap is ready to be (Concluded on next page)

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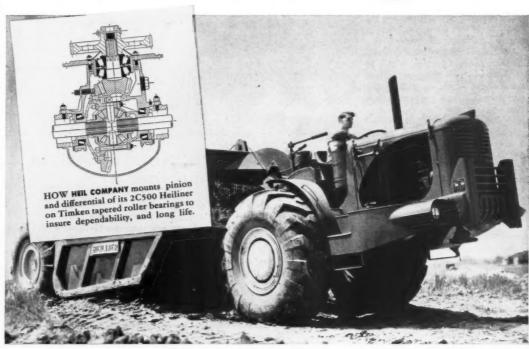
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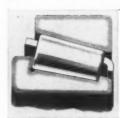


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fed by a dozer. The traps have Ford-driven conveyor belts from 24 to 36 inches in size. At a pinch, they have been used for loading pitrun material directly into trucks, and for stockpiling material away from a surge bin when not enough trucks were on the job.

The crushed-rock material was trucked to the job and laid by blade-mixing and rolling in very similar fashion to the decomposed granite. The last of this material stopped just 2 inches short of final grade for the stabilized material, and after being polished smooth by blades, it was steel-wheel-rolled by a Buffalo-Springfield roller to make the surface dense and smooth. No prime coat was used ahead of the road-mixed or stabilized 2-inch topping.

Barber-Greene Did Stabilization

The 2-inch asphalt-stabilized topping, which serves as a riding surface for the time being, was handled through a Barber-Greene traveling plant. Mineral aggregate, ¾-inch minus, was first dumped on the road, blade-mixed, and shaped into a windrow for the machine. The material was blade-mixed until its particles were surface-dry.

The Barber-Greene machine then moved along the windrow, which was laid at about the quarter point, and applied 5 per cent of MC-3 asphalt to the material. Hot MC-3 was hauled to the job from Frontier Refining Co.'s Cheyenne refineries, and it usually arrived at its application temperature of 200 degrees. If a load had to stand overnight, however, there was a Grace heater on the job to give the asphalt a boost the following morning.

After the Barber-Greene traveling plant finished its mixing, No. 12 Caterpillar motor graders turned and mixed the windrow at least a dozen turns to eliminate the volatiles and aid the final mix. machines continued to work until the mixing oil began to "break"-an old phenomenon to road-mix men-and at that point the motor graders began cutting out of the windrow for the laydown. As the graders drifted the material across the road, Bros straight-wheel rollers moved in behind the machines. A steel flatwheel rolling on the surface completed this part of the picture.

The Barber-Greene travel plant has often mixed out as much as a mile of material a day on other jobs, but its purpose on the Telephone Canyon project was to keep up with grade as it was prepared, so no unusually good runs were made. The oil mat was always kept up with the grade, however, so that traffic disturbed the last granular surface as little as possible.

Shoulder material was placed with the help of an Etnyre distributor and a Buckeye spreader box. Conventional methods were used here, and there is nothing of particular interest about the operation except that the Wyoming Highway Department hopes that it will be an answer to water seepage into subgrades and bases. In addition, the use of asphalt-penetration treatment on the shoulders is expected to tie the

shoulder rock down and eliminate much of the usual windshield damage.

The fencing was rapidly installed, too. It consists of treated cedar posts and wire-mesh material. A Monroe auger mounted on a 4-wheel-drive Jeep made short work of the postholes, even through much of the rocky going.

Personnel

Brown Construction Co. operations were under the field direction of General Superintendent H. P. Graham. Shovel and powder work was directed by Dan Ratliff, with Glen Milsap in charge of the tractor-scraper spread. William Murphy was

Office Engineer. C. H. Acord was in charge for Subcontractors Hopkins & McPherson.

For the State of Wyoming, the job was designed and supervised under the general direction of J. R. Bromley, Superintendent of the Wyoming State Highway Department; C. W. Beaver, Plans and Office Engineer; and R. G. Stapp, Road Design Engineer; with Talcott Moore as Construction Engineer and Gardner Manfull as Resident Engineer.

Steel Hose Ends Catalog

Steel hose ends and industrial hose appear in a catalog from the

Weatherhead Co., 300 E. 131 St., Cleveland, Ohio. The company offers 5 types of hose. A single and a double-fibre braid with synthetic cover are for low and medium-high pressure respectively. The company also makes a high-pressure double-wire-braid hose with synthetic cover and a medium-high pressure hose with single wire braid in impregnated cotton cover.

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Applications will be accepted up to April 30.

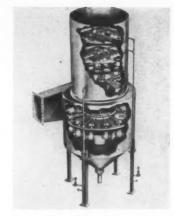
Booklet on Operation Of Cranes and Shovels

The fourth in a series of bulletins on the operation and maintenance of excavating equipment has been prepared by the Power Crane and Shovel Association.

Technical Bulletin No. 4 is divided into two parts. One part describes the types of available attachments and the other covers the use of attachments and methods of positioning basic units.

Attachments described include load - dropping units, clamshells. pile-drivers, magnets, tongs, and grabs. Operating instructions cover positioning the unit, working in the bank, digging procedure, and other hints for getting maximum production. The bulletin is well illustrated throughout with line diagrams.

Copies may be obtained from the Power Crane and Shovel Association, 74 Trinity Place, New York 6, N. Y. The price is \$1.00.



New Scrubber Removes Asphalt-Plant Dust

A precipitating-type scrubber system for removing dust from stack gas is announced by the Johnson-March Corp., 1724 Chestnut St., Philadelphia, Pa. The unit is suitable for use in asphalt plants. Dust removed from the air is reduced to a watery sludge which can be discharged into a tank or pond for removal of the solids. Cleaned gases are discharged into the atmosphere. The Model LP scrubber comes in capacities ranging from 1,500 to 48,000 cfm.

As the dust-laden air enters the scrubbers, the larger dust particles are separated centrifugally and the gases are pre-cooled. The large mass of gas is divided into many smaller volumes through scrubber throats and the gas velocity is accelerated so that the entrained solids impact upon impinger plates. A high-velocity water jet scrubs the solids from the gas stream. The system uses about 2 gallons of water per minute at 40 to 50 psi for each 1.000 cubic feet of gas per minute. A recirculation system can be used when water supply is a problem.

In a lower chamber the gases expand and part of the solids discharge in the form of a slurry, as the gas then flows upward through a center stack. The process is repeated as needed. Finally a solution called Compound M is added to remove low-micron particles and entrained

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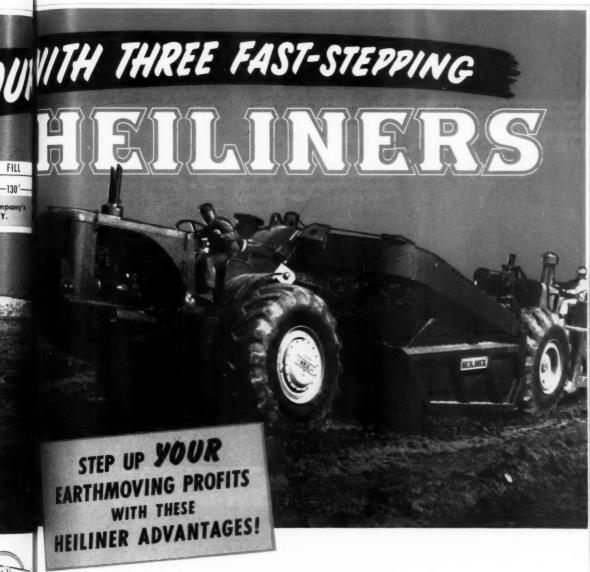
Chart Compares Welding Rods for Hardsurfacing

A new hardsurfacing comparison chart has been issued by Rankin Mfg. Co., 3072 W. Pico Blvd., Los Angeles 6, Calif.

The bulletin lists the leading manufacturers of hardsurfacing welding rods, and the specific rod recommended for various hardsurfacing requirements.

In addition, one page is devoted to an index of pertinent information which welders use in everyday work. Approximate melting points of various materials; relative comparison of Rockwell, Scleroscope, and Brinell hardness tables; S.A.E. steels-numbering system; heat and temper colors of steels; and a jobestimating table are included. This section of the bulletin can be used as a handy reference guide.

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3. With the widening completed, one-half of the road was covered with a fog coat of 0.1-gallon emulsion. Then a Barber-Greene Finisher laid 2-inch compacted hot-mix 13 feet wide. The mix contained 51/2 per cent by weight of 120-150 penetration bitumen.

Nevada's Longest Widening Job

By RAY DAY

• WILL the old road hold out a few years longer?

The universal question faced by highway engineers everywhere cropped up in Nevada last fall when U. S. 95, from Las Vegas north 60 miles through the atomic provingground area, began to go to pieces. Heavy truck traffic shuttling back and forth to Frenchman and Yucca Flats had begun to break down the sides of the 20-year-old 18-foot road-mixed bituminous highway.

Nevada is never flush with roadbuilding money, so its engineers made a careful examination. The examination disclosed an excellent permanent alignment, mostly straight as a die, through the desert. The old road had been built on an abandoned railroad grade, so the subbase, too, was sound. Special studies showed that the old road was likely to give many more years of service if only a widening and resurfacing job was done. The answer was as natural as a seven on Las Vegas' nearby crap tables.

Acting immediately, the whole 57.73-mile stretch was opened for contract bids in what will be the longest widening and resurfacing job ever let in Nevada, and probably in the nation. Carl E. Nelson Co., Logan, Utah, was the low bidder at \$574,185. The job calls for 154,000 tons of plant-mixed asphalt widening material, shoulder buildup, and other allied items necessary to bring the highway to modern 26-foot standards.

Beautiful organization is a feature of this extremely long stretch of widening and resurfacing work. To do it full justice, CONTRACTORS AND ENGINEERS chose a camera instead of words to tell, in these pictures, how the interesting project is being pushed 2,000 feet per day through the winter to 180-day completion.

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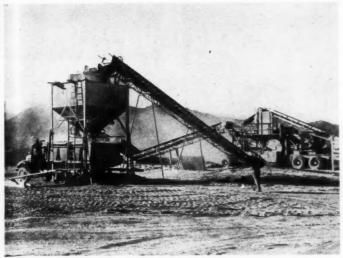


4. These Buffalo-Springfield rollers followed close behind the paver to compact the hot material. The job was organized to allow the hot-mix surface to set at least a half day before taking any traffic.



5. As the final step, this Caterpillar No. 12 motor grader dressed the shoulders. The finished job gave Nevada a modern 26-foot highway built strong enough to stand the increasingly heavy traffic.

(additional photos on following page)



Working on Nevada's longest widening job, this Cedarapids crushing plant turned out 250 tons of processed material per hour from five different locations.



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The National Highway Users Conference announces that henceforth it will present annual awards to highway departments that have prepared the best yearly reports to the public on the status of road systems under their jurisdiction. This announcement coincides with the release of a new NHUC publication, "The People's Business" that points out how clear, concise, businesslike annual reports to the people on current road conditions and planned improvements are not only an aid to public understanding of problems and achievements of the Highway Department, but also are a help in getting public support for sound highway programing.

Albert Bradley, Chairman of NHUC, announced that the association will pay tribute to excellent work already being done by many departments, and it is hoped that both "The People's Business" and the annual awards will stimulate further programs by highway departments.

Stone-Splitting Wedge

A stone splitter for breaking rock and concrete is made by The Geo. F. Smith Co., 5215 Manchester Ave., St. Louis 10, Mo. The tool is a manganese-steel wedge which is driven between two alloy-steel slides that expand in parallel lines against the inner surface of a drilled hole in which they are placed. Expansion of % inch splits rock, concrete, or granite. No explosive is used. The stone splitter weighs 6 pounds and measures 13½ inches extended.

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Wheelbarrow Catalog

Literature on wheelbarrows is available from the Buch Mfg. Co., Elizabethtown, Pa. Features of the wheelbarrow include the trays supported by braces in the front for rigidity, and the grommeted or riveted wheel. The company offers 6 types of wheels.

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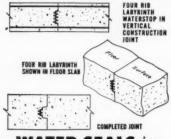
A steel-wire drag broom 3 inches wide that can be ordered in continuous lengths up to 12 feet is made by the Van Brush Mfg. Co., 327 Southwest Blvd., Kansas City 8, Mo. The Little Peckerwood continuous drag can be used in place of several of the 15-inch-long Unit drag brooms manufactured by the company. The manufacturer points out that use of the Little Peckerwood saves installation time. The broom will fit a standard steel frame but can also be assembled on a home-made frame of 2 x

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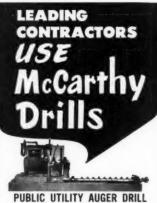
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When a Contractor Delays Another, Is the Owner or Contractor Liable?

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Probably one of the most vexing legal problems confronting contractors deals with their rights when construction is delayed by outside sources over which they may have little or no control. Here is a series of legal cases on this subject, with decisions rendered in six different states: Pennsylvania, New York, Massachusetts, Utah, Oklahoma, and Maryland.

The rights of a delayed contractor are usually affected by special contract provisions, more or less standardized in the different branches of the construction industry.

When Liable for Others' Delays

The best summary of the law on this subject that has come to the writer's attention is to be found in the opinion of the Pennsylvania Supreme Court, in the case of Henry Shenk Co. v. Erie County, 319 Pa. 100, 178 Atl. 662. In leading up to a decision concerning a county's liability for delays in awarding supplemental contracts, the court declared, incidentally:

In construction work, an owner does not generally guarantee or indemnify against loss occasioned by the delays of independent contractors connected with the work, when such delays may be reason-ably anticipated. The owner fulfills his duty when he selects as contractor a person generally known as responsible. Where contracts contain a provision against delay of other contractors (or against other incidents of the work providing in substance for no liability on the part of the owner for contractors' delays or changes in the work), such provision includes delays of other contractors in connection with the work, or delays which are covered by the contract, or may be reasonably anticipated from the circumstances attending the project.

The contract in the Pennsylvania case provided: "If the contractor be delayed at any time in the progress of the work by any act or neglect of the owner or the architect, or of any employee of either, or by any other contractor employed by the owner, . . . then the time of completion shall be extended for such reasonable time as the architect shall decide."

Or Only Liable for Own Delays

Another Pennsylvania case was decided by the United States Circuit Court of Appeals, W. G. Cornell Co. v. Schuylkill County, 222 Fed. 876. It involved construction of different parts of a public building by different contractors. One of the contracts contained a provision similar to that quoted above, followed by a clause to the effect that the owner

would provide all labor and materials, not included in his contract, which were essential to conduct of the work, so as not to delay progress. It was also stated that he would reimburse the contractor for loss resulting from failure to provide such labor and materials. The court decided that the owner was not liable for delay in work done by other contractors, observing that it was clear that the owner assumed liability for his own delays in furnishing labor and materials he was required

to furnish. The court noted, however, that the contract was not so worded as to make the owner liable for failure of other contractors "to keep the construction work upon the building ahead of the work contracted to be done by the plaintiff".

The Court of Appeals noted that decisions in an earlier Pennsylvania case and two New York cases, relied upon by the attorneys for contractors, were suits "based upon failure by the owner to do the things which the owner was obliged to do, and not failure by the owner to compel others to do the things which others had undertaken to do".

Extension Must Be Reasonable

A contract to install heating and ventilating equipment in a city school building in New York provided that if the contractor should be delayed by act of the City or another contractor, the time for completion

should be extended for a period equal to the delay. The New York Court of Appeals held that the City could not bind the heating contractor to a 3-year extension of time for performance, due to delays of other contractors. (People v. Craig, 232 N. Y. 125, 133 N. E. 419.) The court said that the contract clause "must be construed as inapplicable to delays so great or so unreasonable that they may fairly be deemed equivalent to an abandonment of the contract"

The New York court upheld a supplementary agreement between the Board of Education and the heating contractor to reimburse the latter for extra expense resulting from delays caused by the other contractors, he having refused to proceed unless so reimbursed.

In another New York case, a contract to erect a bridge superstruc-

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ture exempted the owner from liability for delay caused by another contractor in constructing the substructure, but provided for an extension of time for performance. The Appellate Division of the New York Supreme Court decided that the first contractor had no recourse other than right to an extension of time for completing his job. (Taylor-Fichter Steel Construction Com., 261 App. Div. 288, 25 N. Y. Supp. 2d 437, affirmed by the Court of Appeals, 287 N. Y. 669, 39 N. E. 2d 290.)

A similar decision was rendered by the Utah Supreme Court in a case where a contractor for the erection of a church chapel was held to have no right to damages when delayed through failure of another contractor to make timely delivery of marble. (Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints v. Hartford Accident & Indemnity Co., 98 Utah 297, 95 Pac. 2d 736.)

Also in a New York case, a building contractor failed to object to delay by a foundation contractor. The Appellate Division of the Supreme Court declared that this failure to object limited the contractor to an extension of time for performance equal to the period of delay. Mahoney v. Oxford Realty Co., 118 N. Y. Supp. 216, 133 App. Div. 656.)

See other cases abstracted in notes at pages 815-818, Am. Law Rep. 2d.

Contractor Not Liable to Owner

In a case that arose in Boston, defendant had contracted to install elevator fronts and entrances and an elevator car in plaintiff's apartment house, but was delayed by another contractor's delay. The Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court decided that defendant was not liable to plaintiff for resulting delay in his performance and was entitled to collect the full contract price. (Boylston Housing Corp. v. O'Toole, 321 Mass. 538, 74 N. E. 2d 288,)

Owner Not Liable to Contractor

In one of the latest cases (1952) bearing on the subject, a contractor, through tardy delivery of pipe by a supplier, was delayed in laying a pipeline. The court decided that, because of a special provision in the construction contract, the pipeline company was not liable to the contractor. (Oklahoma Contracting Co., Inc. v. Magnolia Pipe Line Co., 195 Fed. 2d 391, decided by the United States Court of Appeals, Fifth Circuit.)

In a Maryland case, a railroad contractor consented to an award to

other contractors of part of the work (building a wharf) he had contracted to perform. The Maryland Court of Appeals decided that the railroad contractor could assert no claim against the owner because of delay in building the wharf (Merritt v. Peninsular Construction Co., 91 Md. 453, 46 Atl. 1013.)

Surety Had Prior Claim To Contractor's Proceeds

THE PROBLEM: A bank took an assignment of a Government contractor's claim for pay as security for advances it would make to enable the contractor to perform the contract. The bank knew that the contractor had given his surety an assignment to indemnify it against loss under the suretyship. The contractor defaulted in performance. Under governing Federal statutes, was the Government, as stakeholder of funds

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pay to the surety out of such funds

The court said that although, as against the Government, the assignment to the surety was void, it was enforceable as between the parties to the assignments.

Familiarity With Statutes Is Essential for Bidders

THE PROBLEM: A sanitary-sewer contractor made a deposit to secure entry into a contract if his bid should be accepted. Neither the bid form issued by the sanitary district, nor the plans and specifications, referred to the statute providing for payment in bonds. Could the contractor, on the ground that he expected payment would be made in cash, avoid forfeiture of his deposit by the dis-

THE ANSWER: No. (Inyokern Sanitation District v. Haddock-Engineers, Ltd., 224 Pac. 2d 709, decided by the California Supreme Court. For prior opinion, see 215 Pac. 2d 792.)

The Supreme Court reasoned: The basic proceedings under which the improvement was to be constructed showed, as required by statute, that the contract price was to be paid in bonds. There was no requirement that that fact also be shown in the bid form or the plans and specifications. Notices posted at the site and published, and public records, were sufficient to put bidders on guard. Even if the bidder in this case did not see the notices, he was bound to know that he was dealing with a public agency, which could act only after taking statutory steps necessarily controlling any invitation for bids. It would be idle to require an agency to take those steps and yet leave bidders free to disregard statutes and posted and published notices, "and to submit bids upon their own terms without disclosing their secret intentions until after an award has been made in their favor"

Court Defines "Executed"

THE PROBLEM: By a new South Carolina sales and use-tax law, tangible personal property delivered before January 1, 1952, was exempted from tax, under the category of "construction contracts executed prior to April 1, 1951". On March 15, 1951, a construction company was notified that its bid had been accepted, subject to approval by a Regional Office of the Public Housing Authority, and on March 26 that such approval was given. However, a formal contract was not signed until April 2, 1951. Did the exemption apply?

THE ANSWER: Yes. (M. B. Kahn Construction Co. v. Crain, 71 S. E. 2d 503, decided by the South Carolina Supreme Court.)

The decision rests upon reasoning that the facts of the case were such that acceptance of the contractor's bid and giving of a performance bond left nothing else to be done but to sign a formal agreement. (It is to be remembered that acceptance of a

bid and notification thereof does not always constitute a binding contract, particularly when it is understood that a formal contract to be executed will be accompanied by a bond or bonds for payment of labor and material bills and for faithful performance.)

The court also noted that whether "executed," as used in any given sense, means performance of a contract, or the signing and delivery of an agreement, depends upon particular circumstances. (This suggests the importance of drafting documents so clearly as to exclude any doubt as to whether "executed" is to be understood as performance or signing.)

Corporation Burdened by Predecessor's Obligation

THE PROBLEM: A contracting company sued the Government for money claimed under contracts. The company succeeded a partnership which had derived excessive profits. Was the Government entitled to counterclaim because of these profits?

THE ANSWER: Yes. (Franz Equipment Co. v. United States, 105 Fed. Supp. 490, decided by the United States Court of Claims.)

The court said that, as successor to the partnership's rights under the latter's contracts with the Government, the corporation was subject to the same counterclaim that c uld have been made against the partnership. This included counterc aim based upon excessive profits wider contracts other than those involved in the corporation's claim.

Federal Wage Law Applied To Production of Material

THE PROBLEM: Rock quarries and crushers in Missouri produced materials that were not shipped outside the state but were used in repairing highways carrying interstate traffic and maintaining and building dikes and revetments along the Missouri River to maintain a navigable

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channel. Were the employees engaged in such production entitled to the benefits of the overtime wage provisions of the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act, as being engaged in the production of goods for commerce?

The Answer: Yes. (Tobin, Secretary of Labor v. Johnson, 198 Fed. 2d 130, decided by the United States Court of Appeals, Eighth Circuit, reversing a contrary decision by the United States District Court, Western District of Missouri.)

The Court of Appeals directed that an injunction be directed against defendant employers, having the effect of compelling compliance with the provisions of the Federal statutes.

No Binding Subcontract Resulted From Dealings

THE PROBLEM: As a basis for bidding on a Government job, plaintiff asked defendants to bid for a subcontract on masonry work. Plaintiff was awarded the prime contract on a bid based on defendant's bid, which was the lowest submitted. Plaintiff sent a form of subcontract to defendants for signature. It varied from the terms of their bid by providing for a waiver of claims by defendants as subcontractors, against plaintiff as contractor, and for a \$50 daily penalty for delayed completion. Defendants refused to sign the contract or to proceed. Did plaintiff have a good claim for damages against defendants?

THE ANSWER: No. (R. J. Daum Construction Co. v. Child, 247 Pac. 2d 817, decided by the Utah Supreme Court.)

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The court said the plaintiff could have converted defendants' bid into a binding contract by unconditionally accepting it. The acceptance could have been manifested in writing, orally, or by acts. It was not necessary for plaintiff to have signed a contract with the Government, for plaintiff and defendants could have agreed on a subcontract to take effect if and when plaintiff contracted with the Government But the circumstances indicated that plaintiff was waiting for the prime contract before accepting defendants' bid. Because the written form of contract submitted to defendants by plaintiff introduced new terms and conditions, it was not an acceptance of defendants' bid, but a rejection of it, and amounted to an offer to contract on those terms and

Equipment Warranty Was Not Implied in Sale

THE PROBLEM: Concrete-construction contractors rented and later bought steel forms, knowing that they would not satisfactorily perform for their purposes without being modified. Was it implied that the lessor-seller warranted adaptability of the forms to the intended use?

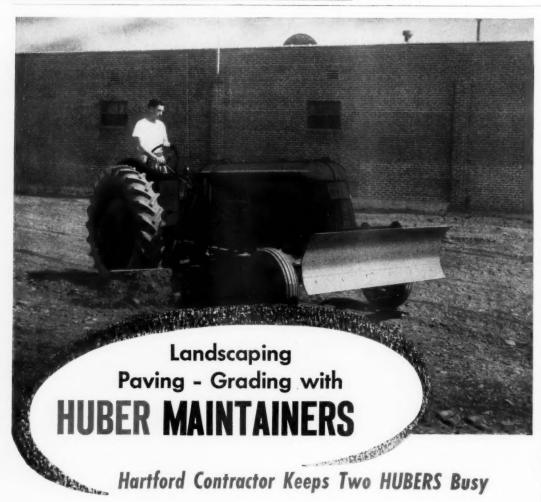
THE ANSWER: No. (Bulldog Concrete Forms & Sales Corp. v. Taylor, 195 Fed. 2d 417, decided by the United States Court of Appeals, Seventh Circuit.)

Hurt By a Backing Truck; Contractor's Liability

THE PROBLEM: A city inspector was injured by a truck backed toward a concrete mixer by a driver who neither sounded a warning nor looked to the rear to see if there was anyone in the path of the truck. Was the driver's employer—a paving contractor—liable?

THE ANSWER: Yes. (Clark v. Gilmore, 57 So. 2d 328, decided by the Mississippi Supreme Court.)

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Steel Wheel Block **Has Curved Surface**

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Booklet on Explosives And Blasting Supplies

A new 58-page booklet covering its complete line of explosives and blasting supplies is available from the Hercules Powder Co., Wilmington, Delaware. It lists the strengths and rates of detonation of nitroglycerin dynamites, ammonia dynamites, and gelatins. Other sections describe special explosives, packaging, detonators, blasting machines, and blast-

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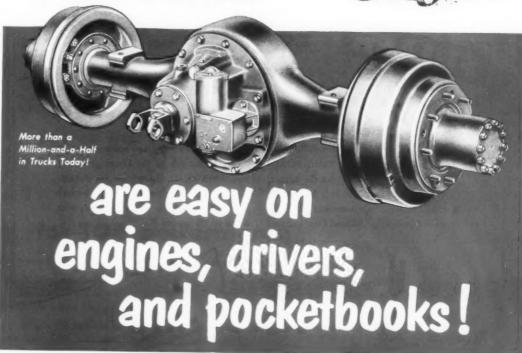
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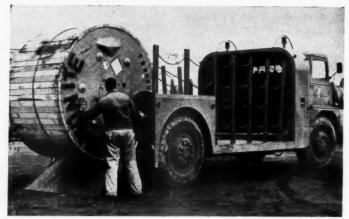
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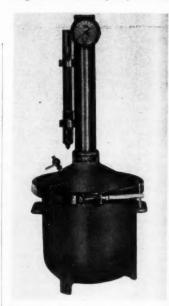
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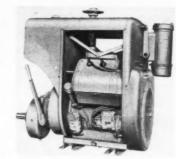
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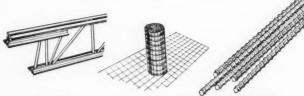


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Economy steel forms were used on the footing and foundation forms and for the service tunnel, which is 5 to 6 feet wide and 41/2 feet deep. Continuous around the inside walls, it slopes to a sump drain in the boiler room, which is 10 feet below grade.

The sandy loam was found near the Kansas River, which runs through Lawrence. The fill was hauled to the site in dump trucks. Railroad tie bridges were built over the tunnel and forms. The fill was spread by a D7 Caterpillar with Traxcavator equipment and then compacted by a sheepsfoot roller.

The concrete for the footings was $5\frac{1}{2}$ -sack transit-mix, supplied by the Ready-Mix Concrete Co., Lawrence, and handled by a combined fleet of Rex and Blaw-Knox 4-yard

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and Smith 6-yard mixers. All the concrete was chuted into the forms and vibrated by a Chicago Pneumatic electric Hicycle vibrator. The mixer trucks used the railroad tie bridges when necessary, although most of the forms were easily

reached from outside positions

With the fill compacted and the columns set, the first floor was poured 5 inches thick with steelmesh reinforcement 1 inch from the subgrade.

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Two Story Structure

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Service Tunnel

The service tunnel solves the problem of what to do with the pipes and how to service them in the future without tearing down the building.

The outside wall of the building forms the outside wall of the tunnel and the actual pour was one side and a bottom slab. The main floor, which was poured later, completes the covering. The tunnel bottom slab is 3 inches and the wall 4 inches thick. Steel was left projecting from the top to tie into the floor. The tunnel floor was sloped to the boiler room sump to take care of any future leaks, and this is also one point of access. Other access points are located in the floor through steel doors.

To eliminate any future dropping

of the unsupported side of the tunnel floor at the outside wall, a retaining wall 3 inches thick was poured between the bottom of the floor and the top of the main-wall footing.

Columns and Beams

Forms for the columns and beams were made in the carpenter shop, which was equipped with a 16-inch radial Skil saw. Columns range from 10 x 12 inches to 16 x 16 inches.

Concrete was delivered from the mixer truck to a ¾-yard bucket handled by a 22-B Bucyrus-Erie crane for pouring beams and columns. This load limited the boom of the crane to 45 degrees, which in turn limited the reach of the 55-foot boom. By chuting with 3-foot-wide wooden chutes built on the job, the contractor was able to handle all the elevated pours with this one machine. Concrete was poured every

day during the column and beam construction and when necessary spans were bulkheaded off in the centers.

Second Floor and Roof

The second floor and the concrete roof sections were pan-and-joist construction with a 2½-inch slab and a 3-inch joist. The 26-foothigh roof pour was handled by the 22-B Bucyrus-Erie. With the first floor poured the contractor had a good base for shoring up the second-floor forms. At the peak 1,325 Baker-Roos adjustable shores were used. Each had a 3,000-pound capacity.

Concrete Bleachers

The 104 x 80-foot combination auditorium and gym has concrete bleachers down the full length on each side. These consist of 10 rows, 104 feet long, with 12-inch risers

and 26-inch treads. The overhang on this is supported by Baker-Roos shores. Both the auditorium and the shop roofs are steel-deck, with built-up roofing material on top.

Ceilings are varied. In the shop areas they are exposed, while other types are suspended ceilings of plaster on metal lathe and acoustical tile

There are 169 rooms in the building, counting classrooms, storage rooms, shops, and closets. Corridors have ceramic-tile wainscoting, classroom walls are plastered Haydite, and some exposed partitions are painted Haydite. A typical shop room measures 32 x 43 feet, with exposed ceiling and painted walls. A typical classroom is 22 x 26 feet.

Exterior walls are buff-faced brick with 8-inch Haydite-block backup. Blocks and tile were cut with a Clipper masonry saw.

An interesting feature in handling the mortar for the bricklaying crews was the use of a Scoopmobile Model C with a normal lift of 7 feet 9 inches. This was equipped with an extension track which provided a vertical lift of 30 feet. The bucket was removed and a wooden platform substituted. Then loaded hand buggies and wheelbarrows were pushed on and hoisted to second-floor and roof slabs for supplying the masons.

Quantities and Personnel

Fill Borrow 8,500 cu. yds.
Concrete 7,000 cu. yds.
Reinforcing bars 235 tons
Structural steel 275 tons
Reinforcing mesh 174,000 sq. ft.

Prime contractor was the Constant Construction Co., Lawrence, and John Coil was Superintendent. Architect was Griest & Ekdahl, Topeka.

Timber Firm Opens in N. C.

Timber Structures, Inc., New York, N. Y., has established a district office at 127 W. 7th St., Charlotte, N. C., with B. Wheatley, Jr., as District Manager. The office will serve the Carolinas and areas of Virginia and Tennessee.

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This Mall 2MGV gasoline-engine unit is a self-contained one-man concrete vibrator recommended for narrow-form vibrating from catwalks. It has a 5-ph, 21-pound engine. For further information write to the Mall Tool Co., 7725 S. Chicago Ave., Chicago 19, III., or use the Request Card at page 18. Circle No. 886.

New Braided Sling

A new 8-part braided sling has a re-usable thimble fitting attached by pins instead of conventional hammered-down clamps. The manu-





facturer points out that since sling fittings generally outlast the sling itself, substantial savings are gained by their re-use.

For further information write to A. Leschen & Sons Rope Co., 5909 Kennerly Ave., St. Louis 12, Mo., or use the Request Card at page 18. Circle No. 851.

Hoists and Dump Bodies

Literature on hoists and dump bodies is available from A. Cresci & Son, Inc., Boulevard & Grape St., Vineland, N. J. Dump bodies in a variety of types and sizes are shown. This includes two contractor's models and a standard dump body, a sand body, a long low utility model, a hinged-side body, and one with removable sides.

Another bulletin describes the company's line made for light pickup trucks.

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The tool weighs 63/4 pounds and has a 114-volt ac-dc motor. Accessories including sockets, bits, and chuck adapters are available.

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the company, or use the Request Card at page 18. Circle No. 865.

Scoop Shovel in Action

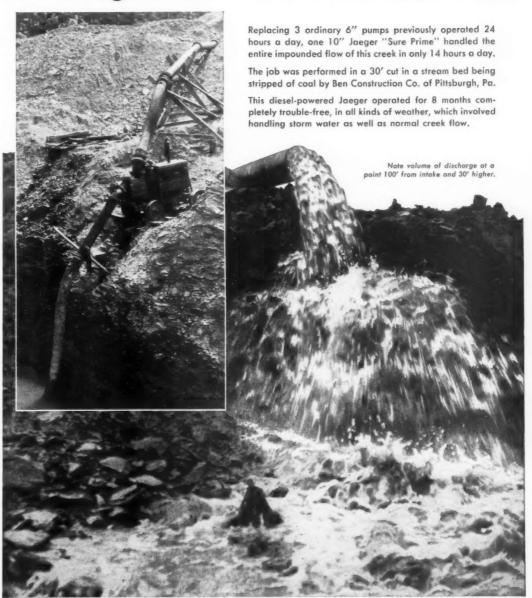
Twelve photographs of a scoop shovel in action are shown in a booklet from The Thew Shovel Co., 28th St. & Fulton Road, Lorain, Ohio. Two models of the shovel for TL-25 machines are seen in a variety of loading situations handling materials ranging from gravel to boulder debris.

There is also a step-by-step pictorial illustration of the unit's digging cycle. A diagram gives range details.

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A section devoted to contractors' instruments describes a convertible transit-level for laying out and measuring horizontal and vertical angles, leveling, measuring difference in elevation, setting building lines and plumbing walls and columns. A 12-inch dumpy level with horizontal circle and vernier is also shown.

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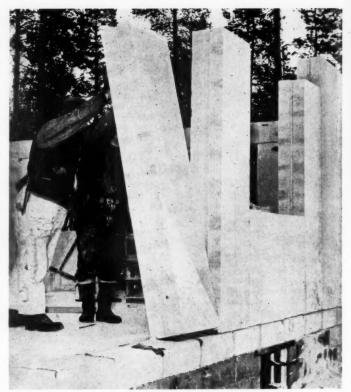
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Structural Material Has Varied Uses

A versatile lightweight mineral building material is being introduced into this country by United States Plywood Corp., Weldwood Bldg., 55 W. 44th St., New York 36, N. Y. Zeprex has many of the uses of concrete in building, but can be sawed, drilled, cut with an axe, and nailed like wood. The material combines the properties of both wood and stone substances. It is strong, yet is one-fifth the weight of concrete. It is incombustible, yet like wood can be bored with a brace and bit, and holds nails securely. It is immune to termites and practically free from shrinking and swelling. In appearance, a Zeprex block or slab has a smooth oyster-white surface

which needs no decoration, but can be painted if desired.

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The product has been used in Europe as roof decking, walls, ceilings, and floors of homes, hospitals, and manufacturing plants. It is a structural material that is self-supporting in lengths up to 18 feet and more. Manufactured in slab form, Zeprex comes 20 inches wide and up to 18 feet long. Depending on the desired strength and insulation value, thickness may vary from 2 to 10 inches. As stated, Zeprex is incombustible and is said to have ten times better insulating qualities than concrete, which makes it suitable for use in both Arctic and tropical temperatures.

Zeprex is said to absorb only onethird as much water as does brick. This property, combined with its low-heat conductivity, makes it suitable for thermal insulation. To provide the same insulation as a 6-inch slab of Zeprex, a similar 6inch concrete slab would have to be backed by 3 inches of insulating board. A brick wall 18 inches thick is needed to provide the same insulation as a slab of Zeprex only 6 inches thick.

Zeprex is made of siliceous material, cement and water, together with certain chemicals. The basic component is monocalcium silicate, which has a compressive strength of 200,000 psi at a density of 100 pounds per cubic foot. The special properties of the material are due to its unique structure; a cross-section looks like a minute honeycomb with thousands of tiny spherical cells or pores separated by very thin walls. In spite of the intricate manufacturing process, it is said to be economical to produce.

Zeprex has a great variety of uses, and the density, size, and shape of the product is easily varied to meet the different requirements. It is made in densities varying from 25 to 50 pounds per cubic foot, depending on its use.

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cubic foot density are usually covered with weather-resistant asphalted felt. The slabs are from 3 to 18 feet long, 2 to 8 inches thick, and 20 inches wide. Because of its lightness, Zeprex roofing requires less structural steel.

Used for floor slabs with a density of 30 pounds per cubic foot, Zeprex slabs are laid like wood flooring. The result is a dry-floor installation immediately ready for the application of a decorative floor of tiles, linoleum, and other coverings. In multistory buildings the underside of a Zeprex floor which forms the ceiling, is often left undecorated. Its porous structure absorbs sound and its light color is reflective.

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Wall slabs of the material are installed like the roof and floor units. Outside walls may be covered with any commonly used finishing material. These same slabs are suitable for partitions because of their sound-absorbent quality and insulating value.

Zeprex beams that have a density of 40 pounds per cubic foot are steel-rod reinforced. They have been made in lengths up to 40 feet.

The material has also been used for insulation slabs with density of 25 pounds per cubic foot. To insulate concrete walls, Zeprex slabs are placed against the form. When the concrete is poured, the bond is strong enough to keep the slabs securely fixed. The slabs are manufactured in a variety of sizes.

In this country, the United States Plywood Corp. has obtained the exclusive rights to manufacture the product. In order to accelerate the production of Zeprex, U. S. Plywood has acquired the business and assets of National Brick Corp., Long Island City, L. I., N. Y. The new production unit will be known as the National Brick Co., a division of U. S. Plywood Corp.

For further information write to the U. S. Plywood Corp., or use the **Liquid-Filled Tube Level**

A liquid-type level consisting of a plastic tube filled with free-flowing anti-freeze is discussed in literature from Levelall, 81 Webster St., Rockland, Mass. The device, called the Levelall, exploits the physical law that water seeks its own level.

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Where the level line to be established is not within a practical working height for use of the instrument, a more convenient level line can be established and measures can be taken up or down to the required elevation. To obtain this literature write to the company, or use the Request Card at page 18. Circle No. 856.

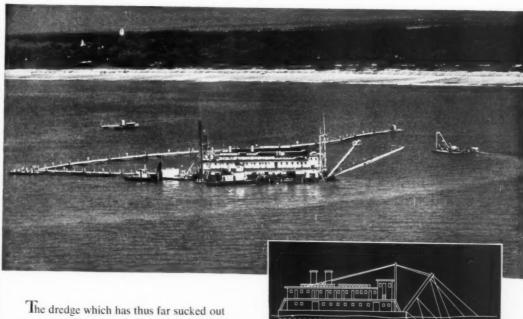
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ASTM and Federal specifications are listed. The booklet is cross-indexed and is intended for use as both a reference and buying guide.

To obtain this literature write to the American Vitrified Products Co., National City Bank Bldg., Cleveland, Ohio, or use the Request Card that is bound in at page 18. Circle No. 849.

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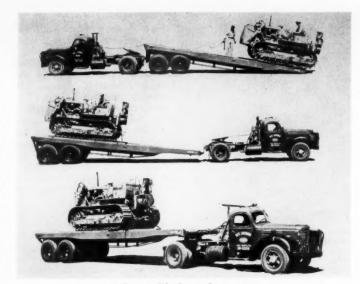
UNITED STATES RUBBER COMPANY

Self-Loading Trailer

A new self-loading trailer is announced by Dorsey Trailers, Elba, Ala. Made in single, double, or triple-axle models, the units have either truss or directly welded sway braces.

The trailer is detached from the truck in order to lower the front end to the ground, creating an inclined platform up which the load can be winched aboard. The truck is backed up against the rear loading bumper while the equipment moves up the deck to the point of balance. Now the truck moves around to the front, winches up the front of the trailer, the fifth wheel is locked, and the equipment moved forward for better load distribution.

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Construction Equipment

As from March 12 the majority of construction machinery and allied equipment has been decontrolled. This includes all construction, mining, quarrying, oil-well and oil-field machinery, engines, air compressors, air tools and pumps, spare parts, accessories, and attachments.

Everything under CPR 30 is now decontrolled, with the exception of cutting tools designed for use with or on machine tools, and machine tools themselves, new or used, and their attachments and parts. Abrasives, grinding wheels, and buffing wheels do not come under the head of cutting-tool parts.

Window and Door Lintel

A new window and door linted made by Brainard Steel Division of Sharon Steel Corp., Warren, Ohio, has a rib construction that prevents wall-drainage contact with the sast and provides space for a solid bed of mortar. No tuck pointing is necessary, according to the manufacturer.



The lintel is available in two gages and in sizes from 2 feet to 7 feet 6 inches.

For further information write to the company, or use the Request Card that is bound in at page 18 Circle No. 778.



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Dredge Enlarges Canal For Power Project

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• A LARGE construction project now under way in Canada is the expansion of the Beauharnois powerhouse on the St. Lawrence River above Montreal in the province of Quebec. When completed, the hydroelectric station will have a capacity in excess of 2,000,000 hp -one of the greatest in the world. It is owned by the Quebec Hydro-Electric Commission, which controls the Beauharnois Light, Heat & Power Co., a private company that began the venture back in 1929. project is about two-thirds finished.

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The location takes advantage of an 83-foot difference in elevation between two lakes connected by a canal that will become a ship channel in the St. Lawrence Seaway. A lock will be constructed at a dam in the canal which is 15 miles long and eventually will divert practically the entire flow of the river. The canal began with a pilot cut, excavated by dragline, and when flotation was obtained the excavators were replaced by two dredges-one a hydraulic rig with pipeline discharge, and the other a dipper dredge that disposed of its material through a crushing and pumping unit mounted on a scow.

The capacity of these two dredges was insufficient for the widening and deepening of the canal which is to provide the necessary volume of water to operate the expanding facilities of the hydroelectric proj-Eventually the 15-mile canal will be 3,300 feet in width, and will contain a navigation channel 600 feet wide x 27 feet deep. Consequently, the Beauharnois Light, Heat & Power Co. contracted with the Ellicott Machine Corp. of Baltimore, Md., to design and build a hydraulicpipeline dredge of sufficient power and size to handle the big canal job.

Dredge Hydro-Quebec

Less than 21 months were needed to build the dredge. The contract (Continued on next page)



The Hydro-Quebec is towed backward from the shippard at Sorel, Quebec, to the Beauharnois Canal. The sponson sides have been removed for easy passage through the canals, and the ladder and cutter head have not been installed.

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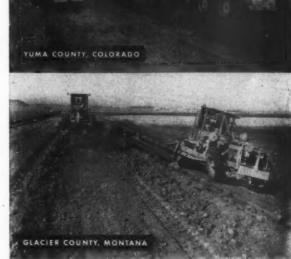
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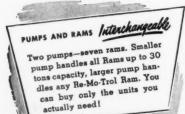
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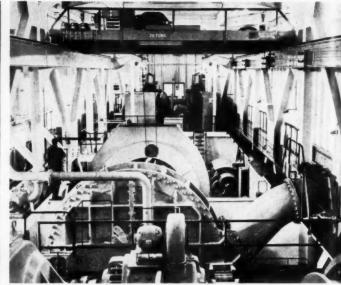


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Here is an interior view of the dredge with the giant Ellicott single-suction centrifugal pump in the foreground. Main motor and switch panels are to the rear.

Dredge Enlarges Canal For Power Project

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was signed on March 30, 1951, and by the middle of December, 1952, the new dredge, christened Hydro-Quebec, was working for its owner. It is now engaged in the removal of some 40,000,000 cubic vards of material from the bed of the Beauharnois Canal. Without resorting to blasting, the dredge is digging boulder clay-a heavy sticky type of marine clay laced with glacial boulders, which is difficult both to excavate and to transport hydraulically. Some of the boulders weigh as much as 1,000 pounds, but are passed right through the 36-inch dredge pump.

Marine Industries Ltd. of Sorel, Quebec, constructed the hull and spuds, and handled the assembly of the big rig. The hull is of welded steel—280 feet long x 58 feet wide x 15 feet deep—with a maximum draft of 9 feet. The dredge has a total displacement of 2,500 long tons. Its hull is designed so that its width can be reduced by the removal of side sponsons to allow passage through canal locks.

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Structural steel trusses, on each side of the center hull section, run the entire length of the hull from the ladder well to the stern of the dredge. The trusses strengthen and stiffen the hull. The structural-steel spud frame at the stern also ties into and forms part of the hull truss framework. At the bow a structural-steel A-frame extends forward of the hull, and carries the sheaves for the ladder-hoisting arrangement. The ladder weighs 375 tons, is 85 feet long, and mounts a 26-ton rotating cutter head at the front end. The cutter head has spiral blades with renewable teeth.

Digs to 50 Feet

The Hydro-Quebec has a maximum digging depth of 50 feet. Its main dredging pump is of a special, heavy-duty, centrifugal, single-suction type, and is completely lined





with special-alloy abrasion-resistant The intake or suction line at the pump is arranged with a quick-opening, bottom-drop, cleanout cover pneumatically operated to facilitate cleanout operations with minimum delay. Through a 36-inch-diameter pipeline, up to 2,000 feet long, the dredge pumps material to spoil areas along the banks of the canal.

The dredge is electrically powered with current supplied from shore by submarine cable direct from the plant of the Beauharnois Light, Heat & Power Co. at 13,800 volts, 3-phase, 60-cycle. The dredge pump motor is operated directly off the 13.800-volt line. Three 600 kva transformers deliver current at 2,400 volts to the cutter motor generator set, and to the hauling and hoisting machinery motor generator set, while a fourth transformer delivers current at 600 volts to an auxiliary ower-distribution switchboard. In addition to this a 125-kw generator set, driven by a diesel engine, is provided to supply emergency current for operating various auxiliaries and the lighting system, and also for raising the ladder and spuds at reduced speed in the event that power from the shore is disconnected. Lighting equipment is installed to provide adequate illumination for all machinery spaces and compartments. Floodlights are placed at the bow and stern to provide abundant illumination for the operator to see the spuds and dredging ladder during night work. Speed control of the dredging

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pump is accomplished at constant torque by means of a liquid slip regulator. Speed control of the cutter is by a combination of variable voltage and amplidyne motor control.

The dredge does not have sleeping accommodations for the complete crew. However, a steel upper-deck house is provided in which there are three staterooms and offices, a washroom, and a utility room for officers. In addition, there is another washroom for the crew on the main deck.

A raised lever room is fitted out with modern types of controls and



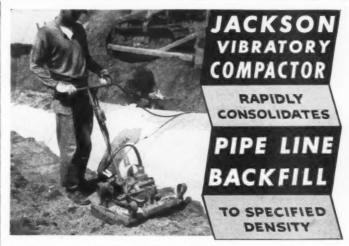
The dredge Hydro-Quebec at work just off the St. Lawrence River in the Beauharnois Canal. The canal when dredged will be 15 miles long and 3,300 feet wide. It will divert practically the entire flow of the river.

operating equipment. From this vantage point the operator can control the dredge pump motor, the cutter motor, and the winch motors, as well as the pneumatic controls for the clutches and brakes of the various winch units. All controls are centrally located on a control stand within easy reach of the operator. Dredge pump vacuum and pressure gages, both indicating and recording, as well as instruments to show electric inputs to various motors and motor speeds, are also located in the lever room. All operations of the dredge are directed by telephone, radio, or signals from the lever room, where the operator has clear visibility in all directions

New Allis-Chalmers Line

Allis-Chalmers, Tractor Division, Milwaukee, Wis., has recently produced a new line of 4-wheel scrapers to fit crawler tractors. It includes seven models with struck capacities ranging from 2 to 18 cubic yards.

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Portrait of a Road

A full-length panoramic portrait of a highway is painted by George R. Stewart in "U. S. 40, Cross Section of the United States of America" (Houghton Mifflin Co., Boston, Mass., \$5.00).

Mr. Stewart's clear interesting text and the 92 photographs which he himself took give a portrait at once interpretative, analytical, and factual. U. S. 40—the highway as well as the book—is as American as a coonskin cap. Indian paths, colonial portage routes, post roads, turnpikes, national highways, western trails, finally blended by midtwentieth-century bulldozers and

cement, constitute its roadbed. At times spreading into six lanes, at others contracting into 2-lane stretches, U. S. 40 bisects the continent from the Atlantic Ocean to the Pacific, and traverses 300 years of history as well as over 3,000 miles of space, from Atlantic City, N. J., to San Francisco, Calif. Mr. Stewart makes the history come alive and the geography, topography, and geology understandable.

As one rolls along the eastern section of the highway on what Mr. Stewart refers to as a personally conducted tour, one becomes aware that here young Mr. Washington rode; there Daniel Boone blazed the way; and under those very trees columns

of Blue and Grey figures marched and counter-marched. Then covered wagons rolled west. The 49'ers left their mark. The ranchers, the cattlemen, the oil operators all helped to make U.S. 40 what it is. Linking such cities as Baltimore, Wheeling, St. Louis, Kansas City, Denver, Salt Lake City, and San Francisco (perhaps Reno should also be mentioned), in its sweep across 14 states, U. S. 40 has played its part in the commerce of the country. It is easy to conclude from the facts Mr. Stewart unfurls in his own brand of cinerama that the value of this highway could indeed be well over several hundred million dollars.

Mr. Stewart disclaims intention of

creating a romantic or picturesque travelogue in his cross-country tour He points out the defects along with the assets. The reader feels the need to campaign against the disfiguring billboards. He becomes aware of the waste places of the desert, and the blind spots of city slums, as well as the vastness of the farm lands, the majesty of mountains and forests, and the variety of industry. There is ample technical information on the physical aspects of the highway from New Jersey to California, and one concise chapter on modern roadmaking.

In conclusion, Mr. Stewart raises some important questions in his "Reflections", which form the final chapter of the book:

"Is not this heritage now at its full peak of production, ready to decline? Has not the soil been depleted of its riches? Are not the oil-fields and the mines now at their peak, ready to decline?"

But his answers indicate his conviction of the soundness of the American way and future, for he points out:

"Yet on the whole the argument would seem to work in the other The direction. wastage itself. though appalling, is indicative of a kind of greatness. Only a supremely prosperous people could afford to waste so much-to let land revert to unproductiveness, to be careless of erosion, not even to practice forestry. . . . No matter what the final judgment should be, a journey over U. S. 40 is at least highly instructive . you do not travel a parkway, and do not wander from national park to national park, seeking the spectacular in scenery. Instead, accepting the commonplace along with the spectacular, seeing the people and the country too, taking the good with the bad and the beautiful with the ugly, you gain some balanced impression of the United States of America."

Data on Self Loader

A truck self-loader is described in a folder from the Brisson Bros Machinery Co., Norway, Mich. The Lodal, which has a 3,200-pound lifting capacity, is controlled by a single lever.

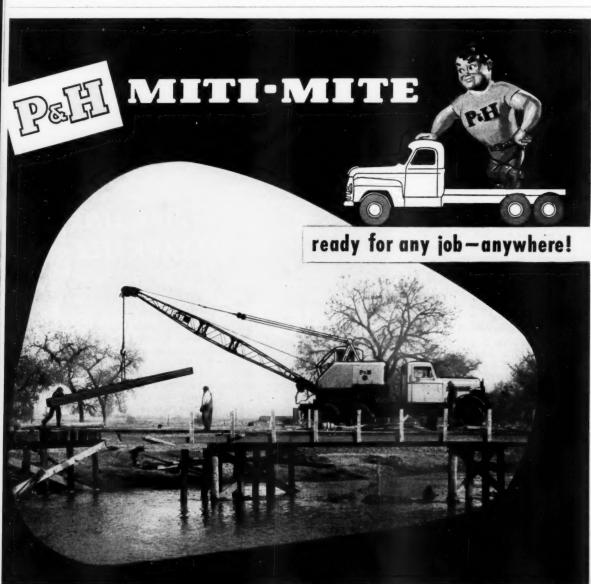
The booklet gives specifications of the unit and discusses its loading speed and mobility.

To obtain this literature write to the company, or use the Request Card that is bound in at page 18. Circle No. 774.

Whiteman Moves Plant

Whiteman Mfg. Co., Los Angeles. Calif., has grown 2250 per cent in the 11 years since Marvin E. Whiteman, President, developed a concrete finisher to replace the back-breaking hand method. Now, located in a new plant at 3249 Casitas Ave., Los Angeles, the company has added to its line a concrete-screeding machine and the Whiteman Power Buggy The building houses a moving assembly line for the buggies, a large machine shop, tool and welding shops, testing department, sales and executive offices, and a researchdesign section.

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Alvin Immel, International Harvester distributor in the heart of southern California's rich Imperial Valley at Holtville, has learned the wisdom of this old saying so well that he has helped his neighbors, his business, and himself. For years Immel has preached the importance of soil conservation, deep tillage, and large-scale agriculture with the use of big tractors. To show what he means, Immel now owns 1,800 acres which he uses to demonstrate his Immel has been one of Imperial Valley's main leaders in big-scale soil conservation, land leveling, and deep tillage, and he has done as much as anyone to bring the big crawler tractor to the

"Drawbar Horsepower"

Several year ago, for example, Immel bought a swampy 160 acres considered worthless by his neighbors. In a practical demonstration of the power of the TD-24 International crawler tractor, Immel then pulled a ditching machine all over the field by means of long cables, and laid a system of deep clay-pipe drains. That done, he used a companion TD-18 with its dozer blade to build a protective levee along the nearby irrigation canal. When the field was surface dry, he leveled it with a modern and-leveling rig. The TD-24 soon came in again to till the ground to a depth of 3 feet. Exactly two years after Immel purchased the worthless piece of boggy wasteland he cut 2 tons of alfalfa per acre from the field in April, May, and June, and got a total of 7 cuttings for that year. His neighbors then realized what Immel means when he preaches "drawbar horsepower" to modern farmers.

Hardpan Stifled Growth

All through Imperial Valley, repeated irrigation and cultivation has tended to build up a dense hardpan, only about 24 inches deep. This dense layer stifles root growth, prevents the penetration of irrigation water, and reduces income to the farmer concerned. Immel has shown with his TD-24 and TD-18 and Atlas deep plows how to sink sharp steel below this material to rip and loosen the soil structure to great depths . . . sometimes with special plows to a depth of 6 feet. Immel demonstrated on one 80-acre patch

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of worthless alkali ground how to mix this surface salt with good subsoil 36 inches deep. That job was done by the TD-24 and an Atlas plow. The first year Immel was so successful with his "proving ground" test that he gathered 1½ bales of cotton per acre off that plot.

Contractors Can Help

Immel is beginning to preach to contractors in his area, too, telling them that many types of large-scale tillage and land leveling are valuable side lines for them to consider along with their regular grading and road-building businesses. Farmers



This field was worthless until reclaimed with a TD-24 and an Atlas 36-inch tillage plow.

often need the drawbar power of the world's most powerful tractors, but their land holdings might possibly

not justify the purchase of rigs that big. Excavating contractors often (Continued on next page)



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have just that type of equipment available and idle at the very latewinter season when it is needed, so Immel has urged repeatedly that small contractors who own such equipment give some consideration to the nearby agricultural need.

Immel also works closely with engineers of the Soil Conservation Service, wherever possible, to bring new leveling practices to the land. He was one of the very first tillage pioneers who demonstrated how to reclaim ruined fields by deep plowing.

Realizing that not too many farm setups are equipped for major service and repair work on tractors as large as the TD-18, the TD-24, or the D8 which is also quite numerous, Immel maintains a modern equipment-repair shop in his Holt-

ville Implement Co. establishment. Technicians with factory equipment can thus keep the machines in topnotch condition after they are sold. This is as important a part of Immel's reputation as his actual demonstration year after year, on his own place, of crawler-tractor equipment.

At the present time Immel is demonstrating his equipment and methods on 700 acres of alfalfa, 400 acres of cotton, and 640 acres in The latter acreage is tied closely to still another activity: animal husbandry. Immel's herd of 500 Brahma cattle is one of the finest in the valley.

Albuquerque To Get Motor Clinic

Southwestern contractors other engine owners can soon study sick engines in an unusually modern diagnostic clinic. By May 1, Harry Cornelius Co. expects to have the

soundproof dynamometer-equipped engine study room completed and ready to serve customers in the area around Albuquerque, N. Mex. The new facilities will be installed at Cornelius' headquarters in Albuquerque.

According to W. H. Cornelius, Jr., President of the equipment-distribution firm which he is carrying on in the best traditions of his late father, the facilities will bring new efficiency to engine repairs. Contractors who are interested in checking on engine-repair jobs can study their rebuilt engines in the diagnostic clinic under conditions closely duplicating those in actual service. The 40 x 70-foot room will contain a soundproof study room, dynamometer, and run-in stands where engines up to 300 hp can be checked and studied. The run-in stands will allow contractors to place engines in service without a loss in

production because of a break-in period.

"Our dynamometer will let a customer see what an engine will do under continuous heavy loads, surge or shock loads, or practically any other operating condition", Cornelius explained. "Engines in construction service, on sawmills and pumps, or anything else, can be checked to see that repairs have been made to stand up under actual conditions. It takes the guesswork out of engine repair, and that's vital these days for two reasons: modern engines need careful treatment of this kind, and contractors have to make sure that their engines will last through many

Until recently occupied by the New Mexico State Highway Commission, the test building is being vacated this spring, and Cornelius will then move all necessary equipment in to set up shop. With the



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The Cornelius firm has such accounts as Allis-Chalmers and its allied firms, General Motors, Schramm, Koehring, Pettibone-Mulliken, Shield Bantam, and Gorman-Rupp. In addition, it specializes in bearings of all kinds and has one of the biggest stocks of brass fittings in the southwest. Contractors, oil men, lumber-mill owners, farmers, and many other equipment users in New Mexico take advantage of this specialized service.

The firm is especially known among southwestern contractors for its international flavor, and contractors delight in dealing with Lou Hubbard, an Englishman who is one of the top salesmen. Cornelius has a top-notch American salesman named Bill Sherritt, recently returned from the Korean Gypsy Guerilla Division; an Irishman from Texas, Pat Houlihan; one man from the deep south; Latin Americans, Navajo Indians, and so on.

This cosmopolitan outfit is doing a fine job in every way to give better service than ever to its customers.

Dept. Heads. Field Men Share Company Ownership

Ownership of the Marysville Tractor & Equipment Co., Marysville, Calif., has spread to include all the working heads of departments and field representatives, making a total of 18 full-time partners.

The company started on April 17, 1931, with two principals, D. W. Beatie and C. E. Stewart as equal owners. Mr. Beatie and Mr. Stewart have reduced their holdings throughout the years, and allowed their associates to acquire shares in the company.

Mr. Beatie and Mr. Stewart still have a substantial interest, with Dan W. and Ken D. Beatie as managing general partners. However, the majority of ownership is in the hands of qualified employees of the company. These include: Dick Adams. Arthur Bristow, Jesse Bristow, Walter Bristow, Aaron Burt, Neldon Cheney, Earle Hampton, Tobe Holcomb, Charles Lauppe, Tony Lucich Roy Parker, Carl Phillips, Howard Spalding, Roy Stillwell, Jr., and Don Van Zandt.

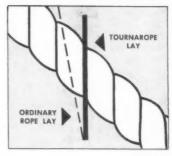
Cruising Sales Meeting by Rish One Saturday recently "The Queen of Bermuda," bound for Hamilton and Nassau, headed out of New York harbor. On board were 105 officials, salesmen, and their wives, of the Rish Equipment Co., Bluefield, W. Va., which had planned

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Distributor Doings

this cruise as a novel way of holding its 1953 sales meeting.

The sail, including stops at Bermuda and the Bahamas, lasted 7 days, and counted as a week's vacation for each man. Two non-sunny days were chosen for the sales meetings.

WACO Convention

Miami, Fla., played host to the annual sales convention of Wilson-Albrecht Co., Inc., Minneapolis, Minn., in January, so WACO distributors took along their wives and had a sunny vacation as well as a business trip.

The convention was held at the Everglades Hotel where for three days distributors from all major cities in the United States, as well as parts of Canada and from overseas, attended demonstrations of new scaffolding products and techniques developed by WACO engineers. The WACO dealers saw films and slides and listened to talks by company management about business conditions affecting the construction industry. New sales and advertising programs for 1953 were also presented to the group.

Wilson - Albrecht manufactures steel scaffolding and related equipment.

Duval Co. Represents Stark

Duval Engine & Equipment Co., 1310 Brookpark Road, Cleveland 29, Ohio, is the new distributor in northern Ohio for Ralph Stark, Inc. The latter firm specializes in the rebuilding of diesel heads and blocks that have been cracked.

Duval handles all types of internal combustion engines, as well as pump and generator sets.

Koehring Dealers Appointed Koehring Co., Milwaukee, Wis., manufacturer of heavy-duty construction equipment, has appointed three new distributors.

Kelbe Bros. Equipment Co., Milwaukee, Wis., is handling Koehring products in the state of Wisconsin. Its line includes products of Koehring's three subsidiary companies-Parsons Co., Newton, Iowa; C. S. Johnson Co., Champaign, Ill.; and Kwik-Mix Co., Port Washington, Wis. Kelbe Bros. succeeds Cunningham-Ortmayer as Koehring dealer in Wisconsin.

In Florida, Allied Equipment, Inc., Miami, is distributing Koehring equipment in the 13 southern counties of the state. The successor to Florida Equipment Co., it is also handling the Parsons Co. account.

The distribution of Koehring equipment, including Parsons products, in northern California is han-

dled by Standard Machinery Co., San Francisco, in succession to Koehring Co. West Coast Sales Division. Other authorized Koehring distributors in California are San Joaquin Tractor Co., Bakersfield, and Harron, Rickard & McCone Co... Los Angeles.

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GM Dealers in New Jersey

Firms in New Jersey with construction and industrial equipment powered by General Motors Series 71 diesels will be interested in the appointment of two new dealers to handle complete sales, service, and parts facilities in the northern part of the state.

E. H. Kliebenstein Co., Ridgefield, N. J., has exclusive selling rights in Bergen, Passaic, and Hudson Counties. Diesel Engineering & Equipment Co., Fords, N. J., offers the same service in Monmouth and Middlesex Counties.

Both organizations offer General Motors diesel engines (30 to 845hp); generator sets (15 to 200-kw); and the Hallett diesel line in the low-horsepower range-diesel engines 5 to 18-hp and generator sets 21/2 to 10-kw.

The main office of General Motors is in Detroit, Mich.

Buck Equipment Names Dealers
The following new dealers have been appointed by Buck Equipment Corp., Cincinnati, Ohio, manufacturer of construction equipment: in California, Gridley Equipment Co., Los Angeles 21, and Waco May, Los Angeles 27; in Oregon, Contractors Equipment Corp., Portland 14, and Cal-Ore Machinery Co., Inc., Medford; and in Idaho, Engineering Sales Service, Inc., Boise, and Flaherty Equipment Co., Pocatello. Also named are Dale & Rankin, Inc., Newark 4, N. J.; Construction Machinery Corp., Shreveport, La.; Central Supply & Equipment Co., Inc., Danville, Ky.; Caird Engineering Works, Helena, Mont .: and Southern Machinery & Supply Co., Roanoke, Va. Buck Equipment's new distributors in Canada are: Inter-





Figuratively speaking, two heavy-duty LIMA cranes have been "pulling themselves up by their bootstraps" on the Tilaiya Dam in India. Equipped with 2-yard, bottom-dump concrete buckets, they work across the dam placing concrete in 4-ft. high layers. At the end of each cycle they move up to the top of the layer just poured . . . then start pouring the next layer.

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A service clinic was organized recently by The Warner & Swasey Co., Cleveland, Ohio, manufacturer of the multi-purpose Gradall earth-mover. in conjunction with Service Supply Corp., Philadelphia, Pa., Gradall distributor.

The class was conducted in Service Supply's shop by Ray Clever, Service Manager of Warner & Swasey, assisted by Bill Burton, local service representative. Intended for Gradall owners, operators, and mechanics, it included an orientation, slides, and a discussion of the care and maintenance of equipment, based on methods tried and established by Warner & Swasey. So great was the interest shown that the class, originally planned for a morning only, lasted until 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

Heiliner Distributors' Open House

Open House for Heiliner distributors was held at The Heil Co., Milwaukee, Wis., to wind up the annual AED Convention in February. Heavy-construction dealers from all parts of this country and Canada toured the Heil factory, were shown a new color-sound Heiliner movie, and saw displayed the 2C800 Heiliner scraper with bottom end-dump wagon (20 cubic yards heaped capacity) and the 2C500 (13 cubic yards heaped capacity).

The Heil Co., which celebrates its 52nd anniversary this year, manufactures bodies and hoists, automatic heating units, and a complete line of road machinery.

Midwestern Equipment Moves House

Less than 7 years after organizing the Midwestern Engine & Equipment Co., Tulsa, Okla., distributor for Continental engines, O. E. Murrey and Armon Bost are moving it into a newly built structure that is ultramodern in design and detail.

The building has 12,000 square feet of space, a third of it given up to offices and the rest to display, storage, and other uses. Other details include up-to-date repair facilities, a hydraulic lift for loading and unloading heavy equipment and supplies, separate service entrances, and a railway spur that is being constructed to the site.

Georgia Distributor for Huber

A recently organized distributor is handling the products of Huber Mfg. Co., Marion, Ohio, in the state of Georgia. Contractors Equipment Co., Inc., 916 DeKalb Ave., N. E., Atlanta, Ga., will carry Huber's complete line of road maintenance units-maintainers, graders, 3 to 14ton tandem rollers, and 5 to 14-ton 3-wheel rollers.

W. W. Burch is President of the company; B. L. DeLoach is Vice President; and T. B. Lowe is Secretary-Treasurer.

Meacham for Sargent Engineering

J. W. Meacham of Stafford Springs, Conn., has been appointed Connecticut distributor for Sargent Engineering Inc., Fort Dodge, Iowa, maker of power shovels and cranes.

APRIL, 1953

Midwest Distributors for Wood
Three middle-west distributors will handle mix-in-place road-building equipment for Wood Mfg. Co., North Hollywood, Calif. These include: Illinois Contractors Machinery, Inc., Melrose Park and Peoria. Ill., which will distribute Wood products in northern Illinois and Lake and Porter Counties in Indiana; Stockberger Machinery Co., Fort Wayne and Indianapolis, Ind., whose territory covers the state of Indiana, excluding Lake, Porter, Harrison, Floyd, and Clark Counties: and Machinery, Inc., St. Louis, Mo., which will serve customers in southern Illinois and the eastern part of Missouri.

Automatic Devices in South

Tri-State Equipment Co., Inc., 520 Mulberry, Memphis 2, Tenn., has been appointed distributor for Automatic Devices, Inc., in the Memphis area. This includes eastern Arkansas, western Tennessee, and northern Mississippi.

W. G. Clark is Director of Tri-State.

Drayton for U. S. Expansion Bolt

Charles O. Drayton, Jr., owner of Drayton Associates, West Warwick, R. I., is the recently appointed New England representative of U.S. Expansion Bolt Co., York, Pa., manufacturer of anchors, expansion bolts. and masonry drills. Mr. Drayton's

territory will include the states of Maine, Vermont, New Hampshire. Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and Connecticut.

Drayton Associates represents various other manufacturers of threaded fasteners, machine tools. and anchoring devices.

Frantz Tractor's Milton Branch

A new branch of Frantz Tractor Co., N. Y., opened in Milton, N. Y., on March 14. It offers complete service, sales and parts facilities for a number of companies, including Allis-Chalmers Mfg. Co.; Gar Wood Industries, Inc.; Baker Mfg. Co.; Joy Mfg. Co.; Wayne Crane Division

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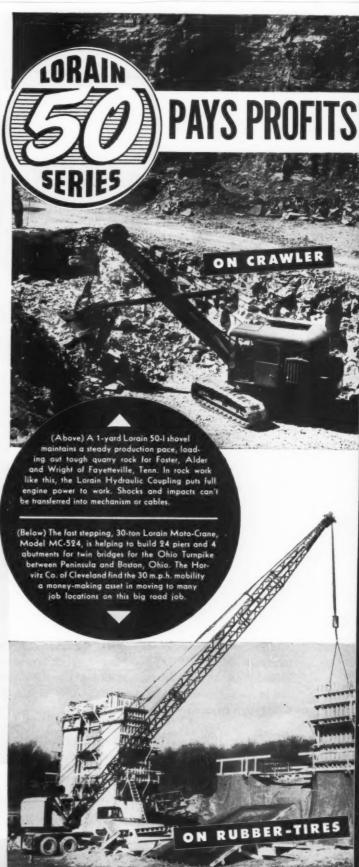
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(Continued from preceding page) of American Steel Dredge Co., Inc.; Pitman Mfg. Co.; Challenge Mfr. Co., and Tractomotive Corp.

Marshal L. Noel is President and John T. Seltzer is Vice President and Sales Manager. The main office is at 2740 Ewen St. (Bronx), New York 63, New York.

Cleco Appoints 4 Distributors Cleco Division of Reed Roller Bit Co., Houston, Texas, has announced the appointment of the following distributors for Cleco products in their respective areas: General Equipment & Machine Co., South Bend 17, Ind., A & I Supply Co., Charleston, W. Va.; Lyons Machinery Co., Little Rock, Ark.; and Equitable Equipment Co., Inc., New Orleans 12, La.

Cleco manufactures the Cleco and Dallett lines of air tools for construction, metal fabrication, industrial maintenance, etc.

Deephouse Is Named

Deephouse Equipment Co., Berlin, Conn., has recently taken over two new accounts. These are Link-Belt Speeder Corp., Cedar Rapids, Iowa, manufacturer of shovel cranes, and T. L. Smith Co., Milwaukee, Wis., producer of truck mixers.

Deephouse Co. is located at 160-170 Farmington Ave., Berlin, Conn.

Redman for Viber in Arizona Lee Redman Equipment Co., Phoenix, Ariz., is the distributor for Viber Co. in the state of Arizona. It will handle all types of vibrating equipment, and a complete line of new Viber units and replacement

Houston Handles Lima in S. Dak.

Sales and service for Lima shovels, cranes, and draglines in the state of South Dakota is now being handled by Stan Houston Equipment Co., Inc., Sioux Falls, S. Dak.

The Lima line is produced by Baldwin - Lima - Hamilton Corp., Lima, Ohio.

Metropolitan Equipment Manager Richard D. Kellegrew recently became General Manager of Metropolitan Equipment & Service Co., Lexington, Mass., a distributor for Chicago Pneumatic Tool Co., Chi-

Equipment Dealers-this is your department, so send your news all about your new plants, new lines handled by your company, and new staff appointments.

Scraper for Small Rubber-Tired Tractors

A small scraper for Ferguson and Ford tractors is announced by Earth Equipment Corp., 2036 Sacramento St., Los Angeles 21, Calif., distributor for the Leland T. McGee Mfg. Co. Features of the Model 5021 include an improved hydraulic upper The top hookup has been link. raised to give longer life to scraper, upper link, and tractor. With the hydraulic upper link the operator can adjust the tilt of the scraper for scraping, backfilling, scarifying, or scarifying and scraping, without getting off the tractor.

The new model comes with either six or nine scarifying teeth. Bucket capacity is approximately 3/4 yard. Both cutting and backfilling blades are 5 feet 6 inches wide. The rear blade is adjustable.

For further information write to the company, or use the Request Card at page 18. Circle No. 705.

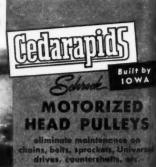
Data on Centrifugal Pumps

Literature on self-priming centrifugal pumps is available from the Ralph B. Carter Co., Hackensack, N. J. The twin-coaxial volute featured in Humdinger pumps is described and shown in a cutaway drawing. The booklet tells how the pump primes with just enough water to cover the eye of the impeller. Four-step adjustment of the impeller is shown in photographs.

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Manager of Oklahoma Turnpike Authority Addresses ARBA on Placement of Aggregates

• AT the 1953 Annual Meeting of the American Road Builders' Association in Boston, Mass., H. E. Bailey, General Manager of the Oklahoma Turnpike Authority, spoke on the control and placement of the graded-aggregate base course on the Turner Turnpike. The Turnpike is scheduled to be opened to the public on April 17.

Blended Aggregates

The base course used in construction of the Turnpike, said Mr. Bailey, is 7 inches in thickness; it is composed of coarse crushed aggregate (maximum size 2 inches), blended with finer materials and soil binder, and compacted to 95 per cent standard Proctor density. It functions as a part of the pavement foundation, distributing the vehicle loads from the pavement surface to the underlying soils.

The entire Turnpike paving consists of 12 inches of selected subgrade material, the top 6 inches having a 2-inch maximum size, a minimum CBR of 10 and a maximum PI of 9, and the lower 6 inches having a minimum CBR of 8 and a maximum PI of 10; 7 inches of crushed graded-aggregate base; 3 inches of coarse asphaltic concrete, sometimes called a leveling course; and 2 inches of fine asphaltic concrete, the wearing course. The total thickness is therefore 24 inches.

As required by the Oklahoma Turnpike Act, the paving contracts were let separately from the grading contracts. As a part of the grading contract, the grading contractor placed 16½ inches of selected subgrade material uniformly over the roadway surface. When the paving contractor moved in, his first operation was to remove the ½ inches of special subgrade material directly under the paving area, placing the material removed in the median and shoulders.

Upon removal of this material, the control and placement of the base course itself started. The quality of any pavement depends to a large extent on the attention paid to preparing the subgrade.

Control

In order to control the line, grade, and typical cross section, two lines of paving hubs or stakes were set at 50-foot intervals, one on each side of the traffic lane being paved, and offset from the edge of the paving a sufficient distance to prevent being disturbed by the work. One line of the hubs had points for line as well as grade. All operations, the shaping of subgrade, the laying of the base course, and the placing of the asphaltic-concrete paving, were done from these hubs. A tolerance of $\frac{1}{2}$ inch was permitted provided the difference in variation from grade and cross section of any two adjacent readings taken at 10-foot intervals was not more than 1/4 inch.

The subgrade was then shaped to these requirements, and compacted

to 95 per cent standard Proctor density. Any soft or unsuitable materials encountered in the subgrade during this operation were removed and replaced with satisfactory material. Trucks hauling material were directed to drive over the subgrade in order to expose any weak spots in it. At several locations, underlying the selected material, a soft clay was found, which had not been exposed by grading operations and which required the excavation of one area some 1/4 mile in length and in some places as much as 8 feet in depth, comprising a total of 20,000 cubic yards. However, large or small, all subgrade weaknesses found were promptly corrected, so that the finished subgrade of the Turnpike was itself capable of supporting a loaded dump truck, hauling approximately 20,000 pounds of crushed

The coarse aggregate used in lay-

ing the base course was obtained partly from commercial plants, but mostly from roadside production by portable crushers. The combined and thoroughly mixed materials for the stabilized aggregate base course had to pass a sieve test, with a cer-

tain percentage passing through sieves of nine different sizes varying from 2 inches to No. 200. The material had to have a plasticity index of less than 8 and a liquid limit of less than 28, in addition to having a

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• Buri's Sunlit Bakery, Eau Claire, Wisconsin, kept its fleet of trucks hustling to deliver fresh bakery goods on schedule over ever busier routes. More continuous operation and tougher start-stop conditions caused maintenance troubles. Individual units averaged only 40,000 miles between overhauls.

Upon the advice of a Standard Oil automotive lubrication specialist, the fleet was switched to Standard's original heavy-duty motor oil. Deposit troubles previously experienced with a conventional lubricant were eliminated. Mileage between overhauls for individual units approached 90,000.

Recently, the officials of Buri's Sunlit Bakery adopted Standard's new and better Standlube HD-M Motor Oil for use in their fleet engines. When one of the units was overhauled after 97,000 miles operation on Standlube HD-M, engine internal parts were found to be clean as new. Officials report that through use of Standard's products and service they have reduced maintenance costs 30%.

Make the experience of this fleet your basis for investigating the benefits offered by STANOLUBE HD-M Motor Oil. You can obtain the services of a Standard Oil Automotive Engineer by phoning your local Standard (Indiana) office. Or, write: Standard Oil Co., 910 S. Michigan Ave., Chicago 80, Ill.

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Turner Turnpike's Base Course

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percentage of wear of not more than 50, as determined by the Los Angeles abrasion test on the material retained on the 3%-inch sieve.

Although the specifications allowed a minimum of 40 per cent crushed aggregate, the general average ranfrom 47 to 70 per cent, with the exception of one contract which ran just over the 40 per cent minimum. On this contract, a commercial crushed limestone was used and blended with local uncrushed materials obtained near the site. The contractor found that he had to figure something over 40 per cent on his crushed limestone in order to wind up with the required 40

per cent in his completed base. On materials obtained from local pit productions, there was generally enough limestone dust and fine particles to make the required gradation with the addition of only a small quantity of other fine materials. All sources of coarse aggregate were tested for hardness and abrasion before they were authorized for use. The entire mix proposed by the contractor was also checked by the laboratory to see that it had the specified gradations and texture.

Placement

In nearly all cases, the base course was placed in two lifts. One contractor tried putting the base course down in one lift but did not have much success with it as he had difficulty getting the required com-

paction near the bottom of the lift.

The base-course material was transported from the crusher to the work site in dump trucks, each load being weighed. The number of truck loads of each type of material for the section under construction was determined and the loads were dumped at regular intervals based on these calculations. All material was paid for by the ton in place. Generally the base was laid in sections about ½ mile in length.

When all the materials were placed in the section being worked, blending was started. Blades would move the windrow of materials back and forth across the roadway until all materials were thoroughly blended. During this operation water trucks with a spraybar would keep the materials sufficiently moist for

workability and to keep from losing the fines. Care was also exercised to see that too much water was not used in order not to soften the subgrade.

After the materials were thoroughly blended, they were spread to the desired width and depth and compacted with sheepsfoot and pneumatic rollers to 95 per cent standard Proctor density. Upon completion of the top lift, a final "slush rolling" was made. This rolling was preceded by an extra shot of water to bring some of the fines to the surface, thus giving a smoother and tighter finish course.

Before the laying and compaction of a section of base, samples were taken at regular intervals for the entire length of the section and each sample tested for the required gradation. If any of the samples did not meet the tests, the entire section being processed was reworked with the necessary corrections to bring it up to standard. Density tests were made at regular intervals after compaction to insure that the base met the specification requirements.

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After a section had met all tests, it was checked for line and grade from the paving hubs. This is very important, as the machines which lay the first course of asphaltic concrete are designed to lay a uniform thickness and any irregularities in the base course will be reflected in the finished pavement surface. Tolerances of 1/2 inch in thickness were permitted, provided the difference in variation from grade and cross section of any two adjacent readings taken at intervals of 10 feet did not exceed 1/4 inch. Care was also taken that no low spots were left, and that the base course drained from median to the shoulder. Any irregulartities beyond these tolerances were torn up and corrected before the base course was considered complete.

Upon completion of the base course to the required specifications line, and grade, it was promptly given a prime coat of MCI or MCI special asphalt at a minimum rate of 0.35 gallons per square yard in order to seal the surface, keep water out of it, and prevent raveling under construction traffic. The first contractor was then ready for his next operation; the placing of the first 3-inch course of asphaltic concrete.

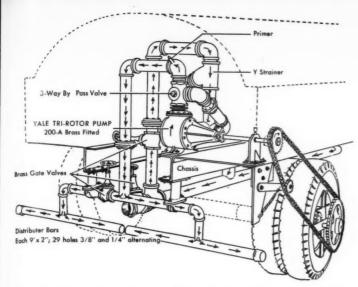
In constructing the Turnpike base course, Mr. Bailey explained, it was necessary to have close cooperation from all engineers, technicians and contractors involved. He took the opportunity to say that any variations or let up in procedure described above were few and far between. The graded aggregate base was economical to construct as it was composed almost entirely of local materials involving a minimum of transportation costs. It is expected to bear its part of the 28,800-pound axle load for which the Turnpike paving is designed.

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A sprocket attachment connecting a wheel of a tank with the shaft of a Yale Tri-Rotor pump meters calcium chloride spray solution and adjusts its flow to the truck speed.

Road Spray Constant As Truck Speed Varies

A metering system which delivers a constant amount of road spray per unit of surface regardless of variations in the speeds of the tank trailer has been developed by the Dow Chemical Co., Midland, Mich. The heart of the control system is a pump, chain-driven by one of the rear wheels of the trailer. Until recently, a worker had to be stationed at the rear of the tank to judge the flow by eye and control it by hand.

Typical of automatic flow control is one calcium-chloride spray installation that uses a bronze-fitted, standard-head, clockwise rotation Yale Tri-Rotor pump mounted on the back of a 2,000-gallon tank trailer. The only modification to this pump is in the shaft, which has 25 inches extra length, and is supported at the sprocket end by a pillow block bearing. It is connected to the righthand trailer wheel by a chain-and-sprocket drive.

The sprocket ratio is determined by dividing the number of gallons sprayed per mile by the number of gallons delivered per pump revolution to get the number of pump revolutions per mile. The tire size gives the number of wheel revolutions per mile from which a suitable sprocket arrangement can be made to transmit to the pump the required revolutions per mile.

J. N. Fauver Co., Detroit distributor, points out that the final success of the installation, that is, spreading the calcium-chloride solution evenly without excessive spray or high back pressure, depends on having the proper number, size, and spacing of holes in the distributor pipe.

Some variants of the basic installation have proved successful. Where several road boards or commissions must use the same tank, a variable displacement head meets the different needs on amount of solution, or varying strengths of solution which will be encountered. The by-pass head will eliminate the need for an external by-pass, and provide an extra margin of safety for the pump. In a Genesee County, Mich., in-

stallation, the by-pass valve is opened and closed by hand, and the sprocket chain adjusted and removed by the truck driver at the start and end of each run. Both operations can be handled from the truck cab by using a solenoid to operate the by-pass valve and installing a clutch between the wheel and the wheel sprocket.

The pump drive should always be disconnected and the solution bypassed when the trailer is being moved to and from the road to be sprayed. The inside of the pump should be spread with a protective coating such as crude oil before handling calcium chloride, and it should be flushed out with clean water after every day in use. With proper protection, the installation will last for at least 2 years of heavy use.

For further information write to the Pump Sales Dept., Yale Lock & Hardware Division, 200 Henry St., Stamford, Conn., or use the Request Card at page 18. Circle No. 830.

Wire-Rope-Sling Handbook

A new handbook on slings and fittings is now available from the A. Leschen & Sons Rope Co., 5909 Kennerly Ave., St. Louis 12, Mo. It contains more than 100 illustrations showing standard wire-rope slings, grommet slings, and multiple-part slings, the latter including flat-laced hand-braided slings.

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The Runabout ditcher has fluid coupling and a bucket with new curved teeth.

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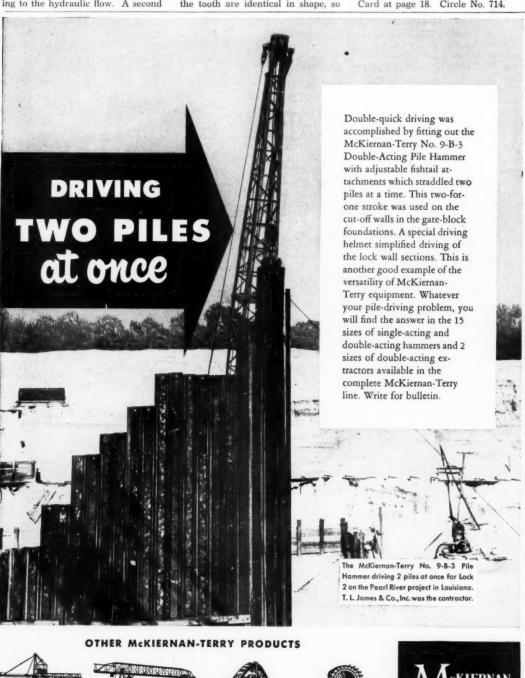
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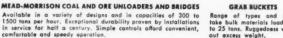
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Gravel Production By Heavy-Media Flotation

Feeding Material Into Heavy Liquid Enables Substance Of Any Specific Gravity to Be Produced

By L. P. STRUBLE, JR., General Manager Keystone Division, Dravo Corp., Pittsburgh, Pa.

A talk presented by Mr. Struble at the Annual Convention of the National Sand and Gravel Association and National Ready Mixed Concrete Association, in San Francisco, Calif., February 24, 1953.

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• FOR a number of years our company has experimented with various ways of processing gravel to improve its performance in certain quality tests covered by the ASTM, with particular reference to the Los Angeles Rattler, ASTM C-131, and the Sodium Sulfate Test, ASTM C-88. In recent years, our concern has become greater as specification bodies have lowered the limits of these somewhat arbitrary tests. Present specifications of the Pennsylvania Department of Highways limit the rattler loss to 35 per cent at 500 revolutions and the sodiumsulfate loss to 10 per cent at 5

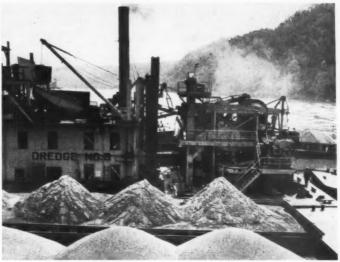
Early Attempts

Early attempts at bettering the performance of our gravels in these tests involved the installation of several types of scrubbers including the Hardinge scrubber and the Alswede scrubber. These had beneficial effects, but none was sufficient to insure a safe margin in the test results. Variations in crushing procedures produced little change in test performance. A soft-stone eliminator of the impactor type was used experimentally but its effect on the material was very slight.

Several years ago, one of the trade magazines carried an account of a heavy-media plant used by the Royal Canadian Air Force in removing shale from a gravel deposit in the northern part of Canada. A followup on this put us in touch with the American Cyanamid Co. and, in the fall of 1949, Dravo shipped about 50 tons of 21/4-inch and 11/4-inch gravel to American Cyanamid's plant in Stamford, Conn. Here it was processed through a pilot heavy-media plant with very good results. We knew that soft particles, such as grainy sandstones, had lower specific gravities than did harder particles of gravel such as limestone, granite, etc. This pilot run proved that the laws of nature had not been altered. The light material floated and the heavy material sank. Tests run by Stanton's gang at the University of Maryland showed changes in rattler-test loss from 37 per cent to as low as 26 per cent. Sodium sulfate losses went from 8.7 per cent to 4.5 per cent. It is important to bear in mind that these were pilot tests and do not indicate the end result to be expected in actual operation. There are economic limits to how far one can go and variations in deposit have an appreciable effect.

Design of the Plant

Layout and design were started in

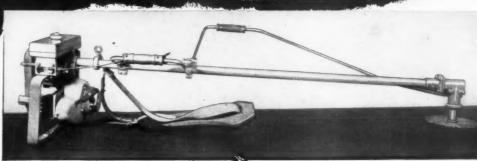


The heavy-media plant (right) is lashed to Dravo Corp.'s dredge No. 90. The plant is mounted on a separate hull 50 feet wide, 40 feet long, and 7 feet 6 inches deep.

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1949 and finally in 1952 Dravo ended up with the plant which is now in operation

On the left of the photo on page 127 is the company's dredge No. 9 and to the right is the heavymedia plant, mounted on a separate hull which is lashed to the dredge. This hull is 50 feet wide, 40 feet long and 7 feet 6 inches deep. It is subdivided into 14 watertight compartments about the perimeter so that any one of them can be flooded without sinking the plant. It might be asked, why is the hull 10 feet wider than it is long? The answer is that the dredge is 50 feet wide and it was necessary to maintain this width for the plant hull. While the dredge and heavy-media plant

engineered, designed, and were built by Dravo Corp., much valuable advice was furnished by American Cyanamid and Western Machinery Co. Two conveyor belts from the heavy-media plant load barges when the plant is operating. A mousetrap can direct gravel to the barge-loading conveyor belts or to a belt which conveys the material to the heavymedia plant at the stern of the dredge.

Another feature of the plant is that the gravel feeds to the 8 x 8 Machinery Co. drum, Western which turns from 1 to 3 rpm. Media is also fed into the system at this point. We have been using powdered magnetite in the media-it is FE2O3, which is about the chemical analysis of rust. This magnetite is so fine that about 80 per cent passes a 100-mesh screen. The media consists of about 70 per cent magnetite and 30 per cent water by weight. Magnetite has

a specific gravity of 4.9. In our operations we have generally worked with a media specific gravity of 2.4. This, however, can be readily adjusted.

Densifier Is Stabilizing Factor

The densifier holds about 21 tons

of magnetite. This is the stabilizer or the flywheel of the operation. Raising or lowering the feed screw in the densifier determines the amount of magnetite in the media circuit and consequently the specific gravity of the media. Essentially

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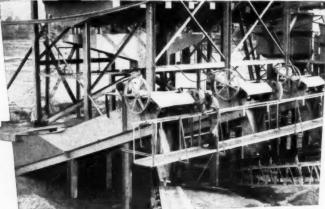
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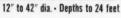


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the magnetite in the densifier is "dry", at least it is not fluid.

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The densifier screw operates continuously and feeds magnetite to a sump where the media is collected. A 6-inch pump delivers the media to the drum by the pipes shown. The turbulence in the sump, piping, and drum, keeps the magnetite in suspension.

The drum, of course, is about one-third full of media all the time and the weir height at this discharge opening is about 3 inches. Here the light gravel or the "float" discharges from the drum to the float screen. The heavy gravel or the "sink" gravel falls to the bottom of the drum, where it is collected by lifter plates which are attached to the revolving drum. As the drum revolves, the gravel drops from the lifters onto a chute for delivery to the sink screen.

Float Screen and Sink Screen

The float screen removes the media from the gravel and then discharges the float material into one of two places. It can go to the waste well which empties into the river or it can discharge into a chute which delivers the float material to a bucket elevator. This, in turn, elevates it to a conveyor belt. This belt takes the float material back to the crusher on the dredge. To date we have not used this latter setup but we intend to experiment in the future and see if this float material cannot be crushed to sand and, at the same time, increase the fine percentage in our sand. Laboratory tests to date indicate that the blending of the sand product with natural sand improves the durability of concrete.

The sink material goes to a 6 x 16 Allis-Chalmers Low-Head screen where the media is washed from the gravel, and then, by means of its three decks, the gravel is graded to meet final specifications.

The process of reclaiming media is the same for both the float screen and the sink screen. This is what happens on the sink screen. There is a swinging door or baffle located about a third of the way along the screen. Between the back end of the screen and the baffle, which is adjustable, about 90 per cent of the media falls from the gravel, goes down a chute into the media-collecting sump where it is blended with the rest of the media in the system. Since no water has been added up to this point, the specific gravity of this media is the same as it was in the drum. Beyond the point of this baffle, there are spray pipes and it is here that the remaining 10 per cent of the media is washed from the gravel. During this process, since no water is used to spray the gravel, the media is diluted. This diluted media falls into a pan and goes through a magnetizing coil which magnetizes the media and causes it to cling together in large particles.

Magnetizing and Demagnetizing

Magnetized media is next passed through two belt-type magnetic separators which operate in series. Each separator has a rubber conveyor belt which passes below a set of magnets in the diluted media. As the diluted media passes along this belt, the magnetite is held against

the belt and travels along to the discharge end. The nonmagnetic material and the water go overboard as waste. The magnetite carried by the belt to the discharge end of the separator is directed into a chute and thence to a 3-inch Wemco media-recovery pump which pumps the media mixture to the Western Machinery densifier. this point, the media is not completely dry and it is necessary to return it to the densifier to eliminate excess water. This excess water overflows from the densifier and just to make sure that it is not carrying media to waste, is returned to the magnetic separator. All nonmagnetic material, as well as the excess water, discharges from the magnetic separator overboard.

In addition to having a magnetizing coil at the feed end of the magnetic separators, we have a demagnetizing coil on the media discharge from the densifier. This coil does just exactly what its name suggests, it demagnetizes the media and thus allows it to remain a finely ground power with no magnetic attraction between particles. The diluted media enters the machine on the left. Magnetic attraction holds the magnetics against the belt as it travels to the right. At the extreme right, when the belt leaves the magnetic field, the magnetite particles are dropped into a hopper for return to the densifier.

In the heavy-media plant both the float screen and the sink screen are close together. At the time the picture was taken, we were using a circular separator but since then we have installed two belt separators. The action of the two separators is about the same, but we decided that we would have less maintenance

problems with the belt separators. On the right is the end of the densifier and it travels almost all of the way across the back of the plant.

Problems Still to Be Solved

Dravo operated this plant at various times last year and our experience has indicated that it will do the job for which it was built. However, there are a number of problems that remain to be worked out. One of the more important problems is that of obtaining a closer classification of material in the drum. The separation of the larger particles of gravel is pretty well defined, but when we get down into the smaller sizes, we find that the smaller particles do not sink as readily, with the consequent result that a fair amount of good material passes out with the float product.

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Where it once was difficult to obtain gravel with a rattler loss below 35 per cent, we have been able to produce some with a loss as low as 29 per cent. Sodium-sulfate losses have been decreased from upwards of 8 per cent to around 4 per cent. Of course, various operating specific gravities of the media will have various effects on the results of these two tests. As the specific gravity increases, the rattler loss decreases, as does the sodium-sulfate loss.

We have not yet been able to plot curves for the product of our heavy-media plant. However, the information we have collected indicates that operating results will closely follow the pilot-plant data. Due to mechanical conditions, it appears that

the percentage of float will be higher than that experienced in the pilot run.

There are economical limits to the specific gravities at which we can operate. It is one thing to operate with a float loss of 20 per cent and another thing to have a float loss upwards of 50 per cent. Furthermore, I believe that it is not necessary to produce material with extremely low rattler losses and sulfate losses. The bad actors in gravel deposits are removed at relatively low specific gravities, and further refinement insofar as these tests are concerned is not necessary.

Investigation of the specific gravity and absorption of gravel processed through the heavy-media pilot plant correlates the test data already given.

As the specific gravity of the media increases, more of the porous material is thrown out or rejected. We don't have a series of curves for the production of our plant but samples collected of one run showed a comparable specific gravity of 2.58 and an absorption of 1.8. Since absorption and void content of aggregate are considered factors in the durability of concrete, it can be seen what a beneficial effect the heavymedia process has in this regard.

By means of heavy liquids, acetylene-tetra bromide and carbon tetrachloride, we have been able to determine the analysis of our gravel from a specific-gravity standpoint. There is only a small range of separation with which we can work.

I am not trying to convince everyone in the sand and gravel business
to get busy and install a heavymedia plant. In fact, I wish to caution anyone who is interested in
such a move to make a complete
series of tests on the deposit involved. The specific gravities of deposits will undoubtedly vary and it
is entirely possible that deleterious
material will not be removed by
flotation.

Our plant is still in the experimental stage and we have a lot to learn about its operation and potentialities. It has demonstrated that it will effectively remove soft sandstone, coal, wood, and so on. We hope that its operation will be a milestone in the progress of our industry in its efforts to produce an ever-better product for its customers.

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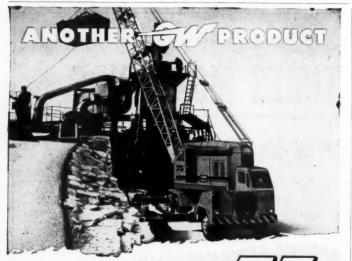
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The Mackinac Bridge Authority, responsible for the construction of the new bridge, has as its Consulting Engineer Dr. D. B. Steinman of New York City. The estimated total cost of the bridge is \$95,000,000. Two contracts have already been awarded: Merritt-Chapman & Scott Corp. New York, N. Y., has a \$24,525,600 contract for the substructure work. involving the construction of 34 water piers varying in depth from 50 to 200 feet below mean water level; and the American Bridge Division of United States Steel Corp., Pittsburgh, Pa., was awarded a \$41,-544.563 contract for the steel superstructure, which includes 9.304 feet of varying-length truss spans and the longest suspension bridge in the world (8,614 feet from anchorage to anchorage). The main span of the suspension bridge will be 3,800 feet long and will be second only to the Golden Gate Bridge, San Francisco, and 300 feet longer than New York City's George Washington Bridge.

In addition to the work already under contract, there will be 8,267 feet of approach roads and viaduct

structures in the project. The construction schedule calls for the opening of the Mackinac Straits Bridge to traffic by November 1, 1956. The bridge will replace existing ferries, which have caused long waits for motorists, varying from 1½ hours in the fall and winter to 21/2 hours during the summer. Not only will the new bridge cut crossing time from approximately 53 to 10 minutes, but due to its singular strategic location, it will assume great importance in national defense for the rapid movement of military vehicles. It will provide the only direct highway link from southern Michigan to the important Sault

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Masonry Waterproofing

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Concrete Industry Looks to the Future

With the ambitious topic "The Concrete Industry Looks to the Future" as the subject for discussion, the Concrete Industry Board of the New York Building Trades Employers Association held its monthly meeting in New York City on March Roger H. Corbetta, contractor, and Chairman of the CIB, urged the members to take an interest in all new developments in concrete construction, and suggested that they could do their clients a good turn by looking into the future themselves for possible applications of reinforced concrete.

Captain Emil H. Praeger of Madigan-Hyland, consulting engineer, New York City, opened the discus-

sion with an illustrated lecture in which he stated that "we have only scratched the surface, and have by no means reached the limit in what we can do with reinforced concrete." Praeger pointed out that the concrete industry is only about 50 years old, and that many structures have been built of concrete that could not be built with any other material.

According to Praeger, Europe is far ahead of this country in what it has done with concrete, and mentioned, as examples, the development of 10,000-psi concrete in France, and the use of no-slump concrete in England. The consultant felt that good progress in concrete building construction had been made in California, perforce of necessity, since structural steel had not been so economical because of the distance from the steel mills. Los Angeles had built a public library of reinforced concrete in the 1920's that cost less than \$1,500,000, Praeger stated, while the New York Public Library constructed of stone cost from \$12,000,000 to \$15,000,000. More monumental buildings could be built of reinforced concrete, the speaker suggested, and cited New York's Church of the Heavenly Rest as an early (1927) example of rigid-frame construction.

"The Japanese are no slouwhes when it comes to concrete," Praeger declared. He showed slides of their prewar precast-concrete piers, and also views of reinforced concrete bomb shelters and a hospital that withstood the Hiroshima atom bomb. The hospital was only one mile from zero point. "When they ran out

of steel they used bamboo to reinforce their concrete," the ex-Army captain revealed, "but it wasn't much good."

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A. E. Cummings of Raymond Concrete Pile Co., New York, told of the progress his company had made in developing a new prestressed pile to support oil-well-drilling platforms in the Gulf of Mexico. These concrete piles are hollow with a 36inch OD and a 28-inch ID. The 8-inch-thick shell is spiral-reinforced and is cast in 16-foot lengths. Vertical core holes are formed in the shell to permit the entry of prestressing cables that join the sections together to form one pile over 150 feet long. A cable consists of twelve No. 6 wires which are stressed with a 25-ton force by Freyssinet hydraulic jacks. Cables are later grouted in from one end.

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Catalog of V-Belts

A new 8-page catalog on V-Belts for industrial use is available from Thermoid Co., 200 Whitehead Road, Trenton, N. J. Tables help the reader to choose the correct Thermoid belt for replacements. Prices, dimensions, etc., are presented.

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Manufacturers of architectural, marine, and industrial porcelain products, Seaporcel Metals, 28-20 Borden Ave., Long Island City 1, N. Y., have introduced a new lightweight, laminated, sandwich-type curtain-wall material with aluminum facing.

This adaptation of the recently developed Searporclad wall panel material will have its first application in the exterior construction of the new Peconic River Plant Administration Building of the Grumman Aircraft Corp. located at Calverton, L. I.

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Tractor Loader Discussed

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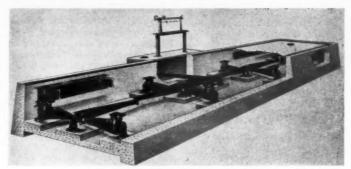
Structural features and specifications of the loader are given. Attachments shown include a combination coal and snow bucket, a crane lift, and a backfill blade. The company makes over 40 models to fit most tractors.

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L. P. Gas-Fired Heater

A folder describes a liquid-petroleum gas-fired portable heater made by International Mfg. Co., 2249 S. Delaware, Denver 10, Colo. It illustrates three models of the Chinook Wind heater, which has a top discharge rating of 500,000 Btu. The de luxe model, weighing 170 pounds, has a twin adapter for one or two ducts; the utility model weighs 150 pounds; and the light weight Little Chinook Wind, 35 pounds.

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Mulching Practices In Seeding Roadsides

Benefits, Types of Mulch, Rates and Methods of Application Are Summarized; Research Still Needed to Reduce Costs

• THE Highway Research Board of Washington, D. C., has just made available Roadside Memorandum 6 covering "Mulching on Roadsides". This circular No. 189 is part of the activities of the HRB Committee on Roadside Development, which is headed by Chairman Harold J. Neale, Landscape Engineer of the Virginia Department of Highways. A review of current practices in

mulching and a report on the newer types of mulch materials are included in the summary which follows

Mulch plays an important part in modern roadside-erosion control. It both reduces soil movement and protects and encourages the establishment of grass and other ground cover. Mulching, in one of several forms, has been practiced in agriculture for many years. During the past decade there has been a marked improvement in adapting proven basic principles of mulching to roadside conditions and in developing new mulching techniques, notably mechanizing mulch application and simplifying methods of holding mulch in place.

When first used on roadsides, mulching was a laborious operation for special locations only. However, its use quickly spread to all steep cut slopes, then to all cut slopes, and currently is finding considerable favor as an integral part of all roadside speeding, including shoulders and fill slopes.

Mulching, as dealt with here, means an application of a surface cover of straw, hay, or other material, with only such incorporation into the soil as may be needed to hold the mulch in place. It does not cover mulch fully incorporated into the soil as a soil amendment, nor does it include the agricultural tillage practice of soil-mulch or dustmulch.

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Principal benefits of mulch on roadside areas are that (1) by intercepting raindrops, it reduces their force, breaking them into droplets or spray having too little energy to seal over soil pores, and in this way increasing absorption of water; (2) it conserves soil moisture by reducing evaporation; (3) it reduces movement of soil, seed, and young seedlings by water, wind, or frost heaving; (4) it gives protection to young seedlings against sun, drying winds, and wide fluctuations in soil temperature; and (5) it slowly but eventually adds organic matter to roadside soil usually low in organic content.

These technical benefits help in the establishment of turf or other ground cover on roadsides, but there are still other benefits from mulch which might be called administrative advantages. One is the economy of using mulch directly on raw soil instead of topsoiling. Another is the usefulness of mulch in "stretching" the seeding season. Highway construction projects are completed at all times of the year and not just during optimum seeding seasons. This new construction needs immediate protection against erosion, and mulch helps greatly in establishing vegetative cover during those periods usually considered as offseasons. Of course, mulch is no panacea or unquestionable guarantee, but it reduces the gamble of off-season seeding to the point where quick protection against erosion far outweighs an occasional failure. In fact, under weather conditions too adverse to risk seeding. mulch alone will give a high degree of protection against erosion until such time as seeding can be done

In some cases, mulching without seeding is done out of season not only as an immediate erosion deterrent but also as a means of improving the physical condition of a soil area, such as a steep slope, that is hard to reach with machinery for seedbed preparation. The absorption of moisture and the mellowing of the soil by mild freezing and thawing provides a seedbed which, though not ideal, is satisfactory for seed which is sown through the mulch during the proper season.

Mulching is not without disadvantages. In some states, particularly in forested area, no mulching is done because of the danger of serious fires. Partial incorporation of mulch into the soil lessens this danger. Even where surface mulches are used, experience seems to indicate a lesser fire hazard than at first thought. Some mulch materials might become a haven for insect pests, and some might be a source of weeds. Addition of organic matter to the soil has been listed as a benefit, but the process of decomposition consumes nitrogen and it is therefore frequently necessary to fertilize mulched areas one or more times in order to offset this nitrogen

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Types of Mulch Material

Organic material is the predominant type of mulch. Long recommended and used have been hardwood or pine litter, hardwood brush, and pine branches. These materials, however, are not particularly suited to roadside-mulching operations because of the difficulty of obtaining them in sufficient quantities and difficulty of application.

The most widely used roadside mulch materials are grain straw, hay, and roadside mowings. (In the case of hay, its use is frequently limited to that which is unfit for Straw and hay can be bought in quantity in bales which are easy to store, transport and handle. On the other hand, if roadside mowings are available in sufficient quantity and do not have an objectionable weed content, their use can reduce cash expenditure for mulch. Even when roadside cuttings are baled for easier handling, material costs are appreciably reduced.

Many other organic materials have been used successfully in roadside mulching, but most of them have only local application because of a limited supply. Such materials as sawdust, wood chips, bark litter, weathered cane bagasse, peat, peat moss, tobacco stems, cottonseed hulls, and threshed soybean plants have been used.

In some states where the use of a quick cover crop is standard erosioncontrol practice to give protection until a spring or autumn seeding season, this cover crop is allowed to grow to maturity, then is cut and used as mulch at the time permanent seeding is done. This growing of mulch "in place", so to speak, does not always provide all the mulch needed for a given area, but it can make sizable reductions in purchase, transportation, and handling costs after having already served its purpose for temporary erosion-control.

An important material is "seed mulch". This is mature, unthreshed (or, in some cases, partly threshed) grain or grasses which, when applied as mulch to the roadside area, disseminates seed that germinates and provides a desirable cover, thus combining the advantages of inexpensive seed and reduced field operations.

Inorganic materials are also useful as mulch. Asphalt has been successfully used in some regions under suitable soil conditions. After proper soil preparation, seeding, and rolling, a thin film of asphalt material is sprayed over the seeded area to hold the soil in place until the seed germinates. The seedlings break through the thin asphalt coating or through the checks which develop in the asphalt. Not just any asphalt can be used; a specially refined cutback asphalt has been patented and manufactured, and asphalt emulsions have also been used for this type of mulching.

Under some climatic and soil conditions, gravel, sand, and cinders have served well as mulch. Now in progress are experiments testing synthetic resins which are sprayed on roadside areas in combination with seed and fertilizer in water suspension. These materials form a thin film over the soil to prevent

displacement of soil and seed until germination occurs.

Rate of Application

Up to the present time, organic mulches have been by far the most widely used. But, with all the past experience, it is impossible to make a satisfactory uniform recommendation on the rate of application of mulch. The wide variations in type of mulch material used; its weight, texture, moisture content, or other factors of physical condition; and soil and temperature conditions prevent accurate specifications on application. Mulch has been variously specified on the basis of tons per acre, inches of thickness of many straws thick, or percentage of ground surface covered by the mulch. Specifications have varied from 2 to 5 tons per acre, 1 to 6 inches in depth, and 3 to 6 straws in The rate of application of mulch must be determined individually for varying conditions encountered, keeping in mind the basic purpose of breaking the force of rain, conserving moisture, and shading seedlings while allowing some sunlight to penetrate and air to circulate.

Methods of Mulch Application

As the value of mulching in roadside-erosion control became recognized, it was apparent that the slowness and cost of the operation limited its widespread use. In recent years, this limitation has been overcome by mechanization. Since a large part of the cost was in placing mulch by hand, an operation that becomes increasingly difficult as slopes become steeper, a relatively new machine—the mulch blower—is slashing application costs. Operating in a manner similar to a silo filler or the straw blower of a threshing machine, it blows mulch onto high steep slopes as well as on flatter areas, and reduces application costs appreciably.

In general, having mulch applied in long strands is a definite advantage in keeping it in place, and some blowers deliver the material in that form. Others deliver the mulch in short pieces. However, either type of blower method results in an economy and uniformity of application not possible by hand.

Holding Mulch in Place

The problem of holding mulch in place against wind and gravity (on steep slopes), and against wind, heavy rain, and whipping by traffic movement (on shoulders, median strips, and islands) has been one that has kept up the cost of mulching operations, along with mulchapplication cost. Among the hand

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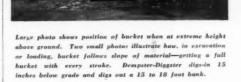


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methods employed to hold mulch in place are: (1) stakes driven into slopes, sometimes with brush or poles attached; (2) a network of binder twine or light wire held in place by stakes or spikes; (3) soil spread lightly over the mulch; (4) mulch partially punched into the soil with shovels or spades; and (5) chicken or hog-wire fencing laid over mulch and anchored with stakes.

These hand methods have given satisfactory results and still have a place in roadside mulching on limited areas that require special attention or are not accessible to equipment. For extensive roadside areas in general, machinery has replaced hand fastening of mulch. On

shoulders and the flatter slopes, a farm-type disk harrow (with disk set straight) or a mulching tiller working on the same principle, can incorporate enough of the mulch into the soil to hold it in place. A rotary-type pulverizer or mixer can incorporate mulch into the soil to any degree desired. A sheepsfoot roller combines compaction with mulch anchoring and can be used on steeper slopes than disks can, by operating it from the top of the slopes by cable and winch. Quickgerminating grains such as rye and oats (and in some sections of the country Sudan grass or millet) have proved helpful in holding mulch in place, when seeded lightly so that they will not interfere with the normal growth of the grasses or legumes seed on the area.

On the steeper roadside slopes, mulch is being successfully held in place by spraying it with asphalt.

(This method is not the same as the asphalt mulch previously described.) Material such as straw, hav, or roadside mowings is applied to the slope in the usual manner. Then only enough asphalt is sprayed on to hold the mulch particles together in a loose mat, giving a speckled appearance and by no means completely coating the mulch particles with asphalt. An RC-2 asphalt is most widely used for this purpose, at rates of 0.05 to 0.15 gallon per square yard, according to the steepness of slope, wind conditions, and type and thickness of mulch.

The synthetic resins previously mentioned as mulching materials have also been used on top of organic mulch to hold it in place.

Rather than attempt to apply seed and loose mulch to extremely high and steep slopes and fasten it in place after application, one seedmulch method employs hay mats held together by wire. These mats are fabricated quickly and easily on work tables, then are placed and staked on slopes to provide a combination seeding and mulching. be

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Variations in Procedure

Oddly enough, with mechanization of mulching has come a departure from standardization of the exact time of mulch application in the sequence of seeding and mulching operations. When mulching was strictly a hand operation, all seeding operations were completed and mulch was then applied. In general this same sequence is still followed when using mulch blowers and other machinery, but in attempts to reduce costs and speed operations still further, some variations in sequence of operations have been tried successfully and others are now being tested.

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plied over a roughly prepared seedbed, then seed and fertilizer in water suspension have been sprayed onto and through the mulch which was then fastened with asphalt spray. Another spray method calls for soil to be mixed with the seed and fertilizer in water, with the soil acting as a mulch anchor.

In a variation of the mulching without seeding idea previously described, mulch is spread on an unprepared slope area and followed with a seed and fertilizer spray.

On flatter areas with soil in a satisfactory physical condition, the seed fertilizer, and mulch have been applied to the unprepared area and all worked together with a rotary mixer, disk harrow, or mulching tiller.

Research Still Needed

Experiments undoubtedly should and will continue with the exact method and sequence of mulching operations, but the basic purpose of mulching and the basic value of mulching to roadside-erosion control have already been established. New materials and methods can further reduce costs and increase benefits.

In addition to Harold J. Neale, Chairman, the Committee on Roadside Development includes the following: Frank H. Brant, P. H. Elwood, Wilbur S. Garmhausen, George B. Gordon, David R. Levin, Dr. John Monteith, Jr., Wilbur H. Simonson, and John L. Wright.

Gas-Driven Generator

A 2,000-watt gas-driven generator is offered by Pioneer Gen-E-Motor Corp., 5832 W. Dickens Ave., Chicago 39, Ill. The Model SS-3990 operates on 115-volt 60-cycle single-



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Literature on Filters

Literature on synclinal filters for noncorrosive liquids in hydraulic and low-pressure systems is available from Marvel Engineering Co., 625 W. Jackson Blvd., Chicago 6, Ill. The company's line includes models with capacities from 5 to 100 gpm.

The manufacturer stresses that the filters can be disassembled, without special skills or tools, for cleaning on

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F. V. du Pont Is New **Public Roads Chief**

Francis V. du Pont of Wilmington, Del., took office on April 1 as Commissioner of the Bureau of Public Roads, in succession to Thomas H. MacDonald. Mr. MacDonald has retired at the age of 72 after a distinguished career which included 34 years as Commissioner of the BPR.

Mr. du Pont served as Commissioner of the Delaware State Highway Department from 1922 to 1949. For 23 years out of this period he was Chairman. During his term as Chairman, the dual-highway system was inaugurated and the Governor Printz Boulevard and other important roadways were constructed.

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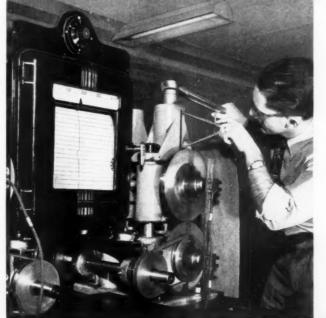
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Truck Line for 1953 Offers Driver Comfort

Outstanding features of the 1953 line of Ford trucks are the new cabs designed for greater driver comfort and the elimination of double-clutching through use of new-type transmissions on all models. The trucks have a one-piece curved windshield with swept-back pillar posts and 55 per cent greater visibility. The rear window is 4 feet wide. The driver sits on a wider more adjustable seat with five feet of hip room. The seats

have new springs and countershock seat snubbers which are said to help absorb road shocks.

The clutch and brake pedals have been repositioned so they are easier and more comfortable to operate. The controls, including the pushbutton starter, are grouped in front of the driver within easy reach.

Because wheelbases have been shortened 4 inches on all conventional series through the F-600 and 3 inches on Series F-700 through F-900, the trucks have a shorter turning radius and greater maneuverability. According to the manu-

facturer, they are also easier to handle and steer due to an increase in the front tread.

The 1953 line offers a choice of 5 V-8 and 6-cylinder engines, that range from 101 to 155 hp. Front and rear engine mounts have been

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The new trucks range from 4,000 pounds to 27,000 pounds GVW with up to 55,000 pounds GCW ratings in the new F-900 Series. The conventional F-Series line includes the F-100 pickup, panel, stake, and other models which are available with a choice of five transmissions including Fordomatic and automatic overdrive; the F-250 and F-350 light duty and the F-500 and F-600 heavy-duty trucks; and the F-700, F-750, F-800 and F-900 Big Jobs units.

The F-900, largest truck ever built by Ford, has front-axle capacity of 8,000 pounds, rear-axle capacity of 21,000 pounds, uses the OHV Cargo King V-8 engine and has a 12-inch clutch. Five-speed transmission with direct in fifth is standard equipment. Overdrive in fifth is optional. Air brakes are available at added cost. A 16 x 6-inch brake is standard equipment. Tire sizes run up to 1100 x 22, 14-ply.

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tunnel. These units can haul 35-foot trailers legally in every state, the manufacturer points out.

For further information write to The Ford Division of Ford Motor Co., P. O. Box 638, Dearborn, Mich., or use the Request Card at page 18. Circle No. 866.

Booklet on Mortar Cement

A booklet on mortar cement is available from the Universal Atlas Cement Co., 100 Park Ave., New York 17, N. Y. It discusses characteristics of the cement including plasticity, water retention, bond and durability, volume changes, yield, color, and strength.

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Literature is available on a new adjustable pipe threader made by Beaver Pipe Tools, Inc., 325 Dana St., N. E., Warren, Ohio. The Model 26-R is a 1 to 2-inch threader which will cut standard, oversize, and undersize threads of uniform length. The tool has a "radio dial" size setting. Dies can be removed from the outside and without tools, the manufacturer states. The threader uses one set of dies to thread four sizes.

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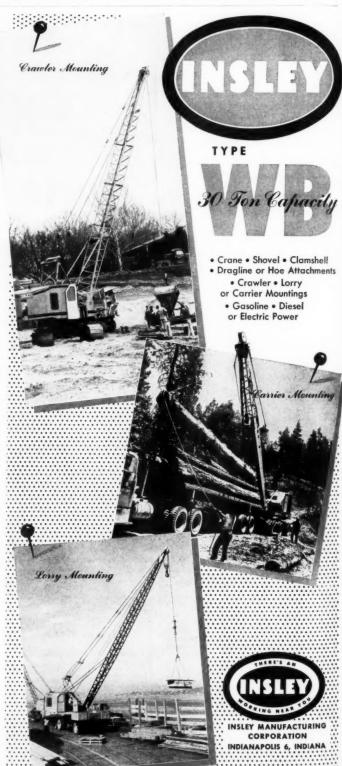
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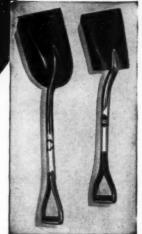
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Hyster Eastern Managers

Four managers for eastern districts were recently appointed by Hyster Co., Portland, Oreg., manufacturer of material-handling equipment.

Robert Lange will direct the east-central district including the Washington, D. C., office. He has worked with Hyster for 12 years in various departments of the company. Art Morris, with Hyster since 1952, takes over the north-central district and eastern Canada. Walt St. Clair, who directs the mid-central district, has been associated with the company for 6 years. Robert Hile will handle the northwestern district. He joined the company in 1946.

A fifth appointment is that of J. W. Morgan as Assistant Sales Manager for eastern industrial truck sales. He will work under R. F. Moody, Sales Manager of the Danville, Ill., plant.

Howerth Rejoins Gar Wood

H. J. Howerth, Jr., has been appointed Assistant Sales Manager of the Wayne Division of Gar Wood Industries, Inc., Wayne, Mich. The Division manufactures truck dump bodies and hoists, refuse-collection units, winches, cranes, and elevating end-gates.

Before his recall to military service two years ago Mr. Howerth was Wayne's Chief Sales Engineer.

Fairbanks-Morse Manager

William B. Morse, former Assistant to the Manager of the Detroit, Mich., sales and service branch of Fairbanks, Morse & Co., Detroit, has been appointed Manager, succeeding E. J. Hay, who recently died.

Mr. Morse is a great-grandson of the founder of the company and a son of Robert H. Morse, Jr., President. He has been with the company since 1946 when he started in the Beloit Works. From 1948 until 1951 he was salesman for the San Francisco, Calif., branch where he served until his transfer to Detroit in 1951.

Foster Elects President

Byron L. Foster has been elected President of L. B. Foster Co., Pittsburgh, Pa., suppliers of steel-sheet piling, railroad trackage, and pipe.



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Byron L. Foster is the new President of L. B. Foster Co.

He succeeds Lee B. Foster, who founded the firm 50 years ago and has now become Chairman of the Board of Directors.

The firm also has offices and warehouses located in New York, N. Y.; Chicago, Ill., and Houston, Texas.

Thor Changes Its Name

Independent Pneumatic Tool Co., Aurora, Ill., has changed its 60-year-old corporate name. In order to avoid confusion, the trade name Thor (used to identify all the firm's power tools since 1893) has been embodied in the new name, which is now Thor Power Tool Co.

A recent appointment is that of Maynard T. Murray to the newly created post of Vice President in Charge of Manufacturing. He will make his headquarters at the main works of Thor Power Tool Co. in Aurora.

Air Reduction Appoints

A. C. Brown, Jr., former Manager of the Central Region of Air Reduction Sales Co., has been appointed General Sales Manager and will make his headquarters at 60 E. 42nd St., New York, N. Y. He joined Air Reduction in 1935 and became Manager of the Central Region in 1950.

Other appointments by Air Reduction Co., Inc., are those of J. H. Keeney as Regional Manager in succession to Mr. Brown; J. H. Hart, who takes Mr. Keeney's former post of Administrative Assistant in Pittsburgh; and R. A. Jamieson, who succeeds Mr. Hart as Detroit District Manager.

Gradall Representative

The Warner & Swasey Co., Cleveland, Ohio, has appointed William C. Worthington new District Representative of the Gradall Division in the southeast region. He will make his headquarters at 1709 Candler Building, Atlanta 3, Ga., and his territory will include Florida, Georgia, South Carolina, Tennessee, Alabama, and Mississisppi.

Flexicore Now in Michigan

The first plant in Michigan to manufacture Flexicore precast-concrete slabs opened March 1 in Livonia, Mich. It is the Michigan Flexicore Division of Price Bros., Co., which will produce Flexicore floor and roof slabs for northern Ohio as well as eastern Michigan. William Cory is Sales Manager for the new firm.



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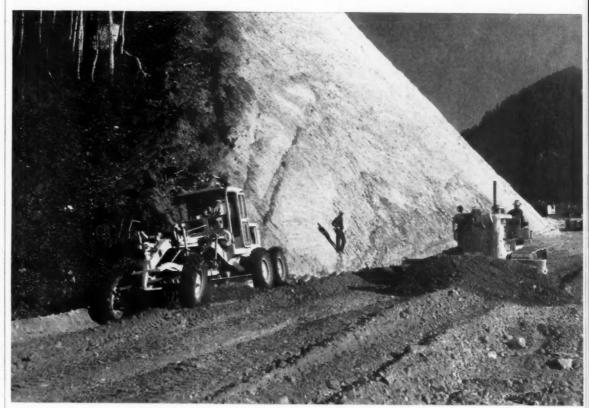
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